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# WOMAN'S WORK FOR WOMAN.

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SECRETARY SPEER made a short run across North India, speaking with all his usual power, four times in one day at Allahabad, and proposed to sail for Hong Kong March 20.

DURING eight years past, such relations have existed between our societies and the Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions, that we are sure the announcement of his resignation will be received with more than mere regret. The following is incorporated in the Minutes of the Board:

"The Board herewith places on record its high appreciation of the able, efficient and consecrated services of Mr. Dulles, and assure him of the sincere respect and affection in which he is held by all the members of the Board. His personal interest in the world's evangelization, together with his business capacity and experience, make him an invaluable treasurer, and we regret his retirement as an irreparable loss."

MRS. McCAULEY will return alone from Tokyo and hers will be no stinted sympathy, for while we were awaiting her husband his eyes have opened in Immanuel's Land. They were married in Bangkok, Siam, where their first missionary work was done, but for seventeen years Dr. McCauley's unsparing labors have been chiefly given, as were his dying prayers, to the young men of Japan. His farewell message to his brethren was: "Tell them the only thing of value when they come to die will be, How many souls have I brought home to God?" and his last utterance: "Show me more of thy glory, O Christ!"

THESE pages are held open until the first instalment of Annual Meeting reports can be received; the rest follow next month, and all hearts are expectant until it is known whether the Woman's Societies have redeemed their pledges this year and can expect Christ to show us more of his glory.

AN impromptu Farewell to Dr. Bennett was the occasion of special joy at the Mission Rooms, because his joy in depart-

ing was so great and the brethren in Buleland will so rejoice in his coming, and because, unless the tide of contributions rises, the summer will see few recruits starting for the missions. Dr. Bennett has already served in China and it would have been hard to be diverted from China, now, but Africa had a claim on him even in boyhood, when he took a flogging at a London school for running away to see Livingstone buried.

OF little Irene Hayes, whom the Good Shepherd has taken to his fold, Mrs. Mateer writes: "She had a great mission to perform and but a brief life in which to perform it. Her mission was to show how much love one little heart, only five years old, could bestow and receive without being in the least spoiled. We were walking together on our porch and she was naming over the people she loved, until I interrupted her with, 'How many people you love.' 'Yes,' said she, 'that's what I'm for, you know.'"

TEN lepers, all women, from seventeen to sixty years old, were baptized and took the communion one day last January at Saharanpur, India. This is the blessed outcome of regular, voluntary, winsome visitation, begun by Miss Dunlap and Miss Orbison, and, since the latter's return to America, continued by Miss Dunlap and her assistant teachers. Mr. Wesley Bailey said there were no lepers in all India so forlorn looking as those at Saharanpur, and he now finds them transformed to the happiest.

NINE Jacobite women, all mothers, confessed Christ at Mosul last year, one joyful result of three years' constant effort on Mrs. Hansen's part.

EIGHT additions last year to the little church in Prää, Laos. They support an evangelist and now and then make a free-will offering, as when they had a cleaning bee and put in order their church premises.

DURING Dr. E. P. Dunlap's last tour in Nakawn Province, Siam, efforts for the

women were very much forwarded by a sterling Christian in the church there, a widow, who escorted Mrs. Dunlap around and gratuitously did the service of a Bible woman. Miss Cort kindly recalls for us this woman's history. She remembers her coming with her sick husband to Petchaburee Hospital where they were both converted, and Ma Make was afterwards in Miss Cort's school, a quiet, ladylike woman. When they returned to their native Nakawn, they were influential in preparing a welcome for the Gospel there. Dr. Dunlap received seventeen adults to the church on this trip.

MARCH 6, Miss Pratt, of Ambala, India, wrote they had added twenty-five more women to their previous relief work list of one hundred and thirty-two. The Deputy Commissioner asked them to take charge of another spinning establishment, but their hands were full.

THOSE wishing to send famine money to India can not do better than forward it, through the Board of course, for the orphanages at Saharanpur and Hoshiarpore, or to the boarding-schools, so they can admit famine children. Money spent this way provides both bread and gospel.

AT Paotingfu, they had a court full of Chinese men, over forty at one time, studying for ten days in January. Mr. Lowrie and Mr. Simcox could scarcely get time to eat. The rub came when the men were required to pay something towards their board. That sent the chaff flying.

AT Ichowfu, Shantung, in February, Rev. Wm. Chalfant dismissed a class of fifty inquirers and Christians, who had been studying a month. Twenty-two were put on probation for baptism. Some of the most interesting cases were from places where the mission has nothing established.

THE government of Colombia allows all periodicals to circulate through the mails free of postage until they are six months old, and thus missionaries are able, at a small expense, to put out a large quantity of evangelical printed matter. Mr. Touzeau received the following letter: "Cartagena, Jan. 23, 1897. I received the *Evangelista*; send all the numbers, I have a great many children and wish them to have reading that may stimulate in them faith in Christianity. Yours respectfully, L. S."

OUR letters from all directions indicate a general stampede of the brethren on country work, in the month of February. Among others, Mr. McDowell of Mosul was once more on a mountain trip in Tiary district; Mr. Fenn of Peking was up north for four or five weeks instructing an inquiry class which had opened with ten men; Mr. Lee of Korea was also "up north;" Mr. Campbell of Mexico was soon to start on a three months' tour; Mr. McClure of Siam was "up river," and Dr. McGilvary and Dr. Peoples had set out on a three months' exploring tour, among the Laos in French territory east of the Cambodia River. They were traveling on passes kindly offered by high officials, and the results of their trip are destined to be of great importance to the mission.

A MISSIONARY on furlough emphatically instructs us to use the word Laos, whether noun or adjective, *not* Lao. His arguments are convincing. But the missionary who was home before taught us emphatically to write Lao, *not* Laos. His reasons were unanswerable. Now, we know that both these critics are perfectly right, but we cannot jump to a new spelling every time a man comes home on furlough, so we call on the Laos (Lao) Mission to settle this high debate.

WE have thought readers would be gratified to find all our pages filled this month without reference to division (f), in the topic for May, because if there is anything connected with missions that we women already know, it is about our societies at home and what they are doing. But such knowledge does not prevail in the church at large, and we are glad that the May number of *The Church at Home and Abroad* publishes an article upon Woman's Work in Missions by a lady whose personal relation to the subject guarantees a thorough presentation.

As a help on topic (f), we offer these points condensed from the *Student Volunteer* (80 Institute Place, Chicago) of Nov., 1896: (1) A woman can reach effectively a larger number of people than the male missionary. (2) The non-Christian woman is a strategic person to win, owing to her larger influence over the children. (3) Heathen women are in many respects in greater need of the Gospel than men, hence more readily respond to it.

*"NOT only must we win individuals to Christ but the whole social fabric must be re-modeled and reorganized. Social customs, marriage customs, the industrial and political condition of the country, are all so many strongholds of Satan from which he must be routed before it will be possible to establish here a Christianity that can be depended on to stand by itself. But this is coming."*

A. C. GOOD, AFRICA, in 1891.

## CHRISTIANITY'S MESSAGE TO WOMAN.

### I. IN KOREA.

Come down to our meeting in the Woman's Building. I know you will find something to interest you. Is it time to go? Oh, yes, it is almost two o'clock and the women began gathering several hours ago. Time isn't any object to them—and they like to meet early to talk and sing. One woman told me, not long ago, these meetings were the bright spot in her life. Before she became a Christian she was just like an animal, had nothing to think about but her drudgery and eating and sleeping. Yesterday was Korean New Year's Day. I asked the women to come to-day prepared to tell what they had for which to be thankful. I wonder what they will have to say.

Well, here we are at the door. Let us go in. Don't trip on the shoes, they always leave them just outside, you know.

What? The bad air? Yes, it is dreadful, but you will soon get used to it and we will leave the door open awhile. You see the room is only 14 x 7 ft., and there are almost fifty women and children here.

We will sit Korean fashion, on the floor. We always open with singing and prayer, then Bible study. Isn't it nice to see what good attention they pay? It is because they are so interested.

Now comes the after-part. First we will sing, "I am so glad that my Father in heaven, tells of his love in the book he has given." They all like this hymn. We will just sing the first verse now and as we go along will bring in other verses.

Young Mrs. Ye is speaking. She says that since she became a Christian her mind has been very happy. She has learned to read. Her husband is a believer, too, and is so good to her now. She calls this her "blessing."

Mrs. Pang, who is a widow, says she used to worry because she had so many children to care for; now, since she loves Jesus, all her cares and household duties are a pleasure.

Mrs. Ei thinks she has much to be

thankful for; her husband used to be a gambler and libertine, now he has become a strong Christian and her home is a happy one.

Old grandmother Kim says she has lived almost seventy years and worshiped and sacrificed to the spirits, but found no peace until she found Christ. Now she and nine of her family are believers.

Who is that ugly woman who speaks? Well, she has quite a history. Long—fifty years and more, she has been a servant of Satan; no wonder he has left his stamp on her face. She was a sorceress, and by her lies and wickedness won much money and did much evil. See! she is weeping,—what does she say? "I rejoice that Jesus' blood can wash away the sins of even such as I."

The woman sitting next her says she is not a Christian yet, but wants to be. "I am like the woman of Samaria, a great sinner. Will God forgive one like me?"

The woman at the back of the room, what does she have to say? Listen. "I am a Whang Hai Province woman. More than a year ago I was given a book telling about the Jesus doctrine. I read and thought about it very much. I determined to go to Pyeng Yang and see the foreign teachers and learn more about this. I started out on foot, a journey of four days, and last August first reached the missionary. I met the Christians, attended services, handed in my name as a catechumen, bought books, learned all I could and then went back to my home.

"I studied harder and learned to read better. Then I began telling other women of the Saviour. Not long ago, with my niece, I came to Pyeng Yang to attend the theological training class, so as to learn more. I learned that repentance meant not only to 'sin no more,' but to 'mend my past sins.' That, by the help of God, I am going to do. When my parents were living, I lied to them and cheated them out of much money, so that all the

property I now have was gained by my sin. Henceforth, I consecrate myself and all I have to God's service. I mean to go

hundred and eight girls were seated in the awaiting train.

I shall never forget that procession.



A KOREAN SORCERER—THEY ARE ALL WOMEN.

[This one by posing before the camera with all her appliances for divination about her plainly exhibits the money-making character of her calling.

At Christmas service (1896) in Pyeng Yang, 400 to 500 people were present and heard short talks from three converts: I.—A FORMER BLIND SORCERESS. II.—A DEVIL EXORCIST. III.—A GRAVE-SITE DIVINER.]

back and teach the women of Whang Hai Province about Jesus. Will you all pray for me?"

Oh, can the missionary herself tell what she is most thankful for? Her heart is very full. God has been good to bring her to Korea to take a hand in this beautiful work. Rejoice with her. Pray for her.

*Blanche Webb Lee.*

PYENG YANG, Feb. 13, 1897.

## II. IN INDIA.

In India that message may be summed up in a single word—*freedom*.

After saying many good-byes, I was lately packed amid various parcels in a bullock cart, taking my way to the Poona R. R. Station. Before reaching it we passed a long procession of Hindu girls. Little ones were in charge of older girls, and, linked together by twos and threes, were quietly following their leader. At the head of the procession was Pundita Ramabai. Dressed in white (widows' attire), with erect form and the resolute gait so natural to her, she marched through the station entrance and in a few moments her one

The leader, one who has known the fetters of Hinduism, led out of darkness into marvellous light. The girls—who are they? Widows, and deserted wives, rescued from famine regions. Many were from six to fifteen years of age. They were not only despised, and famishing from hunger, but Ramabai found some of these helpless children being seized by the wicked Mohammedan, and under enticing promises being taken off to a life worse than death. As Ramabai speaks of this, her face is eloquent with deepest emotion.

Here is a saved woman, one closely joined to the Lord Jesus, giving her heart's life and love to rescue others. What could better illustrate Jesus' words, "If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed." Such women, made free to free others, to tell of the Only One who can free them, such are the women now wanted for India.

Do you say, many fetters are more apparent, more galling than those of a Hindu widow? A poor convict bound with heavy chains enlists none too much



of our tender sympathy, but it is more difficult for us to realize the caste-imposed, religion-imposed and self-imposed fetters of a Hindu woman. The latter will withstand all mere human effort. Many a woman wraps the coils of her bondage around her with a self-complacency which makes it impossible to release her. Her zenana has to her the air of secluded grandeur. "He does not allow me to go out," she says, with the thought, "The more secluded my home, the more select and honored its inmate." What can freedom mean to such women? Ah, we find that in India the Jesus who gives freedom must be found, in order to have freedom. One to change heart desires—yes, to

change the entire heart. We find some who see that the change must be radical.

While recently touring in the Konkan, I found many simple-hearted mountaineers. A woman after listening close by my side said: "This heart is evil. It is this *heart* which is so evil; it is all here." A short distance from this village, I noticed a shrine. I was told it was to a god, the chief of twelve demons. Can we wonder that when outwardly these women are worshiping the Evil One, his power should be felt inwardly?

Only Christian women can say to such souls: There is freedom for you, real freedom from evil inward and outward.

*Grace E. Wilder.*

### JUBILEE YEAR IN SIAM.

Fifty years ago the Siamese were a nation of half-naked heathen, bowing down to idols. Now, many of them are clothed and sitting at the feet of Jesus.

Fifty years ago they knew nothing of printing. Now, many presses are busy; the whole Bible has been translated, and scattered far and wide.

Fifty years ago there were no good schools for boys, and none whatever for girls. Now, a number of good schools are in active operation and scores of bright young men and women have been graduated from them.

Fifty years ago the people made all their journeys in boats, or with elephants and horses, when they did not go on foot. Now, they have steamers, a railway and electric cars.

Fifty years ago they used shells, lead, copper and brass for money. Now, they coin gold and silver in their own mint, and have banks with paper money.

Fifty years ago America knew little about Siam. Now, she is very dear to our Presbyterian Church, and one of the kingdoms we are to win for Christ.

*M. L. Cort.*

### FAMILY LIFE IN LAOS.

If we judge by woman's position the degree of civilization attained in Laosland, I should say it is more advanced than that of most idolatrous nations. She is not veiled in the presence of man, neither is she silent. She is free to go and come as she pleases and to appear in public places; to buy and sell in the market, to own property and control its management. Ordinarily, she marries the man of her choice, but she is never considered his equal in this world, nor can she hope to be in the next, except as in the accidents of future births she may be born a man. She has no share in the education which is given the sons. They are sent to the temple to learn to read and parents make merit by giving them such repeat the Buddhist sacred books, and privileges; but the daughter is taught only to work and to help make the family living.

Nothing is ever done in a hurry. There is always time to roll a cigarette or arrange a betel-chew and chat with a passing neighbor or a visitor.

Laos sons and daughters always address their parents as father and mother. There is a striking similarity to our own words, "Pa" pronounced *Paw*, "Ma" pronounced *Maa*. A husband speaks of his wife as "the woman," and she of him as the "the man." In the presence of others they seldom address each other and behave in a manner suggestive of shame. I remember, on one occasion, having grasped my husband's arm as we ascended the steps, a Laos woman said to me, "How could you do it, I should be so ashamed."

There is no marriage ceremony except among Christians, and it requires all the courage the bride and bridegroom can command to stand up together in the presence of witnesses, and unless the

minister holds their hands together they may be back to back when the ceremony is concluded, and the instant the "amen" is said they are out and gone.

As a rule, families are large. All are passionately fond of children, and if a relative dies leaving half-a-dozen or more,

offerings and in various ways propitiate the spirits.

Family ties are strong. One of the first questions asked the missionary is, "How could you leave father and mother, brothers and sisters? *We* love each other, we could not be separated by such a distance;" and the cry of a beggar asking alms is, "Pity me, oh, pity me, I've neither father nor mother," no matter if the mendicant himself is stooped with age. Boys and girls suffer with homesickness when they first enter the mission schools. Most of them soon conquer the feeling, but we have had those unable to do so, and were obliged to send them home.

There are no birthday celebrations, but on meeting a stranger one of the first questions is, "How old are you?" and two persons born in the same year consider themselves special friends.

Slavery, divorce and intemperance are the evils which coming into the family life, either one of them, destroys it: but, the heaven of Christianity is working and there are happy homes into which

none of these things enter. Books were unknown in the family until missionaries put the Laos character into type and translated tracts and portions of Scripture. The new Hymn-book is a never failing source of comfort and pleasure. Now, from a mother's lips the new-born babe hears the name of Jesus in prayer and praise.

(Mrs. Hugh) Dora Taylor.



COMMON LAOS HOUSE AT LAKAWN.

Photographed by Rev. Hugh Taylor. Cost \$2 to put it up. The half-completed boat in the yard is hollowed out of a teak log.

every house of kin opens its door to receive them and give them a hearty welcome, although it may not be able to give them a hearty meal. Small children are petted and spoiled. A mother says, "I could not punish my child, I love him too much to hurt him." As he grows older, she manages him by threats and through fear of evil spirits, a fear which goes with him through life, compelling him to make

### A NOTABLE WOMAN'S MEETING AT NINGPO, CHINA.

In October, during the time that Presbytery was in session in Ningpo, we had a woman's meeting. We invited the wives of out-station pastors, and met with them, together with some of our Ningpo women, and discussed subjects of general interest to us all, such as schools (boarding and day), foot binding, and how we women can help on in the general church work. We had papers on these various subjects, and discussion following. Some of the papers were prepared and read by the foreigners, others

by our Chinese sisters. We were pleased with the way in which most of the women entered into the spirit of the meetings.

It was an experiment, and one which we have wanted to try for years. Mrs. Butler had it in her mind when she was here. We had the women as our guests, this time, and paid all their expenses.

One meeting, I neglected to mention was for mothers especially and was conducted by Mrs. Smith. Ways and means of training children were discussed.

All meetings opened with a half hour of

devotional exercises, and the first session was entirely devotional, a preparation for those to follow. The last meeting was a social, when we invited the gentlemen of Presbytery to have a cup of tea and

light refreshments with us, and a social chat. They all seemed to enjoy it, but the men and women did not mingle very much, though a good many of them were by no means young. *Edwina Cunningham.*

### DOMESTIC RELATIONS IN AFRICA.

Marriage is a custom universal in Africa, as prevalent as teeth-cutting and almost coeval with it. He would be thought unworthy the name of parent who would not attend to providing a future wife for his son and heir. It is by no means uncommon, in our mission schools, to have boy pupils whose embryo wives occupy a section of the same premises, busied, also, in storing their minds with useful knowledge. But a law, unchanging as that of the Medes and Persians, separates them one from the other. All too well would the little lads like to have the wee maidens do their washing, cook their fish and perform other menial services; but the powers that be are inexorable, and each must stand in his lot.

If not provided for during infancy, a young man begins his search for a wife when about fifteen years of age. Marriageable girls and discontented wives are both marked by him, but especially the former, as negotiations for the latter require much more skillful diplomacy. If the one sought is not averse, and especially if her father prove favorable, earnest money is paid and the bondage of the son-in-law commences. He can no more call aught that he possesses his own. Should he hesitate about performing some task especially distasteful to him, the magic words, *Ukiyo mwame* (My son-in-law) spoken in the blandest tones but with a world of meaning, serve to recall him to his senses. He realizes that his prospective wife may be passed on to another. Though love-making is unknown, the poor fellow must keep on the right side of the girl by well-timed gifts, or she may at any time send word to another that she would favor his suit in preference.

When the price is paid, the girl is transferred from her father's jurisdiction to her new owner and then we have the other side of the story. As soon as convenient after her arrival, her liege lord builds a bamboo hut for her.\* This is

her domain and even his highness intrudes at his peril, if the lady's mood be not favorable. She must till the fields, provide her owner with food and cater to his whims. His part in the domestic economy is to sit in the house and knit the cast nets which he throws at his pleasure, thus providing the fish which she may share if the supply is sufficient for both. If he has credit at the trading factory and can procure cloth, the wife may hope to receive a share, to be held during good behavior or as long as suits his pleasure. In case of a family broil, he may take back all her wearing apparel and from this act he receives double advantage, as he can utilize the garments himself and at the same time punish the offender.

With such a foundation, do you wonder that domestic life lacks every essential to make a home or form a lasting bond? The result is endless palavers on account of desertions, domestic circles broken up, children separated from their parents, and no end of evils resultant. But such affairs in no way affect the standing in society of the persons involved.

What is the remedy for all this? Only the entrance into the heart of that principle which ever brings order out of confusion and light out of darkness.

The cup of salvation, delivering from all these evils, as well as from everlasting destruction, has been put into the hands of the followers of Him who said, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." Have we been faithful, are we faithful, shall we be faithful to the trust committed to us? Let us hasten to bring the knowledge of the Divine One who has wrought such wonders in our homes, in our domestic circles, into these African households and what a transformation will take place.

*R. H. De Heer.*

Among the Bule: "The sole idea in marriage is ownership. It is the ambition of every Bule man to marry at least twenty or thirty women; the number of his wives determines his rank. Some chiefs have sixty and eighty."

\*It is understood that polygamy is the rule in Africa, and each wife has a separate hut. See article by Mrs. De Heer, *WOMAN'S WORK*, June, 1897.

## ORIENTAL MARRIAGES.



pressed and pushed each other for the best view, while tallow grease fell in great spots from the candles, each one held in such close proximity to his neighbor as to cause many miraculous escapes from accident. The bride's watch is pinned outside her belt and a ring is upon each finger, outside the cotton gloves. She is under the severe scrutiny of hundreds of eyes, as the women crowd into every available space on the earth roofs and little balconies. Soon they will break out into the high-pitched wedding-song, used also in pathetic and weird mockery at funerals of young men and women, and sending a chill to the heart as it rises shrill above carnage and massacre, from the throats of frenzied women urging on the bloody work.

In our picture its note is joyous, and it

"Never interfere with the marriage and funeral customs of a people, unless they militate against conscience or propriety," was the advice of the late Dr. Wm. M. Thomson of Syria, to new missionaries.

Our pictures might illustrate almost any Christian wedding-procession in the Turkish Empire. It is probably one of a nominal Christian sect, as priests stand near the church door. Bride and bridegroom went to the confessional before the ceremony, and are now leaving the church, the centre of all eyes. The crowd inside

is primarily a *wedding* song. As the bride passes along the narrow streets she will be pelted with sugar plums, and sprinkled with scented water.

With a fuller realization of the Gospel message to women in Turkey, has come here and there, in favored places, greater freedom to girls in the marriage choice. Whereas at one time a girl unmarried at the age of eighteen or twenty was unheard of, there are many, now, much older, who, free to choose, are waiting until both heart and hand can be given. To Protestant girls come the great tempta-

tion and test, when the suitor is of another faith, and they are learning to distrust courtship promises of religious liberty, although in some cases these are faithfully fulfilled.

Miss Grace Wilder of India says: "In personal acquaintance with women I have better realized how great is the fear in a mother's heart that her daughter's marriage prospects will be injured. I have been assured that the girls who go to school are not asked in marriage. 'It is so,' said a mother, 'no call comes for her; people say she will not be obedient.'"

Chinese Christians are still in bondage to the national custom that the bride and bridegroom shall never have looked upon each other's faces nor heard each other's voices. Mrs. Frank Chalfant writes from Shantung: "We are powerless to change this fundamental feature of a Chinese marriage without bringing the Christians into disrepute with their countrymen. The Christian ceremony is often legally performed by an elder of the church, as our missionaries and ministers are so few. It is of the simplest: a marriage hymn, a prayer, a chapter in the Bible, another hymn and the doxology. All the while bride and bridegroom are seated." One bride is described as wearing pink shoes, a red silk skirt, an upper satin garment heavily embroidered with gold; her head covered by a red cloth, looking like an embroidered table-cover.

"The bridegroom wore a long blue silk gown, and one over it of slate color, a red sash crossed and recrossed, with long, hanging ends, and a hat decorated

with gilt flowers and red pompons

From Africa and Siam, comes glad testimony to the influence of Christianity on the marriage relation. Mrs. Gault of Batanga writes: "The Gospel and Christian training have done much to make the



men treat their wives better, and to strengthen the bond between them."

Miss Cooper writes in Aug. 1896: "Weddings of Christian Siamese girls mean to us more, perhaps, than you would think. Every new home where Christ is known and honored means one more step towards 'Siam for Christ' and one more lever to lift this land upwards. It means that good influences instead of evil will surround the early years of those who will influence the Siam of the Twentieth Century."

M. B. D.

### THE LAOS WAY OF MARRYING.

When a Laos young man meditates marriage he goes in the evening to call on some young girl, attended by a number of slaves if he is a person of rank, or, if a common man, he goes either alone or accompanied by some other young fellow, who is out on a similar errand.

Laos fathers and mothers leave the young people alone to laugh and chat until a rather late hour, and when the swain leaves the house he commences to "sing the praises of his charmer" in a voice that can be heard by all persons living along the street. Sometimes he mentions her

name but usually he calls her the "princess," or, as in the song that is Solomon's, his young "sister." He likens her to the moon, to the sun, and the bright stars in heaven. Every young man keeps a copy of love verses in his pocket. Sometimes when he is going to be absent from town, he gets some one to write out these verses in a good fair hand on fine paper and sends them to her. I asked just now for one of these poems, and a copy was forthcoming from our young clerk in the drug room. It is said to be a mild specimen. and goes like this:

"Tho' I leave you and go far away my heart is still with you;  
 You are like the brightest star in the sky, like a precious jewel, like a diamond;  
 When I leave you it is like going into a dark cave, because I no longer see your face;  
 You are dearer to me than all my friends, and all my father's people;  
 Tho' I may see and talk with hundreds of others, you and you alone are in my heart."

When the marriage day comes, parents and friends bring the bridegroom to the house of the bride, where a feast is usually

given. It is the custom to tie a string about the wrist of the bride and another about the bridegroom's wrist, and the father and mother ask a blessing on the heads of the happy pair. There is no need of a priestly blessing to make the marriage binding. The bridegroom goes to live with his wife's people and helps his father and mother-in-law with their rice fields. Parents depend on the daughter's husband for support, not on their sons.

Should a man want to leave his wife and take another he is free to do so, if he pays her not less than twenty rupees, and more according to the rank of the family. Desertion of a wife is punished by a fine. *She* may be unfaithful and no fine is imposed. If both wish to marry again they can do so, and another marriage will be as binding as the first. Among common people there is usually but one wife, but rulers have a number, although all but one of them are called "little" wives. In case of a separation the children usually stay with the mother, as she has the house.

*Katherine Fleson.*

## USING CUSTOMS TO RECOMMEND THE GOSPEL.

[From letters of different dates.]

The gentlemen of Chiningchow Station decided to give a feast to the officials, and eleven great men came. We hope it will cultivate their friendliness and then other people will dare to come to us.

That feast over, so great a success did it seem, the gentlemen decided to invite the literary and otherwise respectable families on our street to a second feast. They proceeded to do this to the best of their knowledge, but, not personally knowing many of them, it had to be trusted to Chinese to choose most of the guests. To our dismay there were over forty of them, but we were almost sent to bed by the knowledge that many people were "offended" because they were not invited. The gate-keeper also stated that the poorer people said we were making distinctions, and they had thought of laying hands on the men who carried the invitations and giving them a thorough beating. So we concluded to give still a third feast and to this about ninety guests sat down. No one ever meant that feasting should so run riot, but I believe it really did a great deal of good. Children mention to me since with pride that their fathers "were to a feast" and a number

of women have come to see the museum who had never been friendly before.

Our little museum is getting quite a reputation. For the official feast occasion, we put in a type-writer, electric bell and as many objects of scientific interest as we could muster. Two or three days after the feast, a friend of one of the officials came and asked to see the magic lantern pictures and, after they were shown, he gently reminded his host of the museum by saying, "I hear you have a curious kind of a fish." Now this is only a toy fish that a friend gave to our little girl, and we put it into the museum. It winds up and runs, wagging its tail and moving its jaws, and delights women and children and evidently had made an impression on some official.

I went to a birthday feast of one of our neighbors, and though it is only about two blocks, I had to be carried in a closed sedan chair. The food was very good though one has to acquire the taste. Most of the guests were playing cards, gambling probably, for everybody does gamble in this city. I do not feel thoroughly at home in Chinese etiquette and it is always a little hard on me to go

to feasts. I cannot seem to manage the shaking of my own hands properly. My small girl says, "Oh, mamma! you always look so funny when *you* do it!" and then I always forget to wait to be urgently pressed to go to a place where I know that I must ultimately go.

When we are all at home in Chining, a certain halo of glory lies about the eighth month feast; but this year, alas! all were away except our unfortunate little family, and we had the entire halo and glory, as well as the whole expense. Eight kinds of food to be sent around to a number of families. Would not some of our friends at home feel overcome at the thought of it? Cooked chickens, ducks, sharks' fins, pork, fish, sea slugs, moon cakes, the last anyway, other things chosen according to your taste or your pocketbook.

Then one always has to skirmish around through one's stores to see what in the way of canned goods—jams or jellies—one can spare, for they are a curiosity to the people. Whether they really dare to eat them or only pass them on from one to another, as a sample of what western barbarians eat, no man knoweth. One official asked for two tins more, for a gift to an officer in a western province.

The usual fraud that seems to attach to everything in China is not wanting in the feast business. Servants bringing presents to us must be paid—well, two strings of cash anyway. Then our servants carry a return present and they are paid the same amount. After all, there may be about as much folly in the matter of Christmas gifts in America.

We are hoping that this exchanging of gifts may create a friendly feeling towards us; may make us seem to the people more as if we are *of* them, if we act like them in such customs as we can without violence to our convictions. Many upper

#### HOW WOMEN ARE TREATED AMONG HEATHEN CHINESE.

Dr. Eleanor Chesnut has written from Canton Province, about one of her village patients, a young girl who is hopelessly deformed by rheumatism. On that account, her husband threatens either to drown her, or sell her as a slave.

From Hainan, Mrs. Vanderburgh writes: "One thing Mr. Street told me filled me with horror. He came by way of the river, and as they passed a village there was a little stir of excitement on the bank. On in-

class families will not receive our overtures nor have any social doings with us. I often long to know when will be the set time for the blessing to come to China.

*Jennie A. Laughlin.*

This is how we built our new school kitchen. We had about half enough money from mission appropriation and raised the rest by taking the money it would have cost for a feast to the Chinese Christians on the occasion of the advent of the twins. (Machle children.—ED.) The people give a feast on such occasions, even if they have to borrow money and stay in debt a long time. We thought our example would perhaps help them to break away from their custom. It is so hard to be the first in any such innovation.

SAM KONG, SO. CHINA. *Ella W. Machle.*

One longs to carry a little spring sunshine into dark homes about us, and so I have been trying during Easter vacation to make a few feast-calls. I simply groan when I think of all that is implied in those two little words. Instinctively they are associated with piles of indigestible viands. Visions of saffron-colored candy, dyed hard-boiled eggs, and glass after glass of tea sweetened to the consistency of honey, array themselves before my mental vision. How is one ever to refuse Oriental hospitality, even were it not a breach of etiquette to do so? I can not, so I simply screw my courage to the sticking place and accept their offerings of love, stale and dirty as they often are.

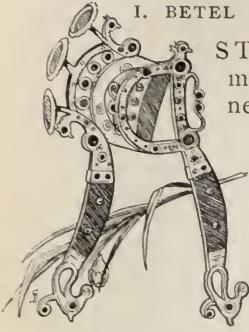
*Missionary at Teheran, Persia.*

A signal instance of turning a race custom to Christian uses is the Christian *mela* of India. The object is to provide a pure and joyous festival for people all whose heathen merry-making was associated with vice.

quiring the cause he was told to look up the bank. There lay the bodies of ten women who had committed suicide by drowning, because their lives were so bitter. Two were just married, the others were all engaged, and they drowned themselves together after hearing the tales of the married two, as to the cruelty of husband and mother-in-law. Is there not crying need of a Saviour to help these hard-working women bear their burdens?"

## SOME CUSTOMS UNFAVORABLE TO CHRISTIANITY.

## I. BETEL CHEWING—SIAM.



STRANGE sight that meets the eye in this corner of the world is the chewing of the areca palm nut, or betel. To a new comer, fresh from western lands, the black teeth, thickened, misshapen lips, mouth overflowing with a vile-smelling mixture, the constant ejection of bright-red saliva, cannot but be revolting. Years of familiarity may enable one to "first endure, then pity," but never to adopt the habit.

When one is making every effort to master Siamese and is just beginning to understand, it is disheartening to receive a call from some old woman with her mouth so full of betel that she can hardly articulate. A short time spent with her will make even a buoyant soul despair of ever gaining a working knowledge of this troublesome tongue. It takes years to grow accustomed to the mumbling and murdering of their sentences in which these women indulge, and it is well-nigh impossible to imitate their indistinct, slovenly pronunciation, so as to "speak like a native." Many of the men chew but little betel, but the women might be said to chew night and day. If you hire one of them to do a day's washing, you will probably find your finest table-linen or your choicest white dress ruined by what appears like iron-rust, but is really the indelible yellow betel stain. A pinch of tobacco accompanies each fresh mouthful, and a paste of powdered lime is also spread upon each areca leaf.

Perhaps it is presumptuous for one outside the medical profession to attempt to discuss the effects of betel upon those who use it. They claim that it relieves fatigue and prevents drowsiness. It is certain that years of indulgence so fix the habit that abstinence becomes practically impossible. It is also said that betel is a preservative for the teeth. The Siamese suffer but little from toothache, but in middle age their teeth often loosen and drop out. The typical toothless crone pounds her betel-nut to a pulp in a tiny mortar, and still chews on.

As to the part which betel plays in

social life, it is simply entrenched in the unassailable fortress of "good form," for etiquette in Siam is quite as rigid as in other lands.

In America, a guest is invited to walk into the house, to take a chair, perhaps remove a burdensome overcoat. In Siam the overcoat is unheard-of, the reception room of the common people is the platform in front of the tiny house, the chair is conspicuous by its absence: but the guest judges of the welcome he receives



ARECA PALM GROVE IN LAKAWN DISTRICT.

From photograph by Rev. Hugh Taylor.

The trees seen are six inches in diameter. A man climbs the tree, throws down the betel nut, with his weight bends over the stem and climbs to the next tree without descending. The man in the foreground was too near the camera.

by the cordiality and promptness with which the tray of betel is set before him. Ordinary hospitality demands it, and its neglect is a slight. For a woman in this country to banish betel from her home would require more moral courage than was needed to banish wine from the state banquets of the White House. So long as fashion demands that high and low offer it to their guests, we may expect young and old to indulge in this expensive and injurious luxury. And while Americans patronize tobacco on the scale



they do, they cannot criticize very harshly this indulgence of their antipodal cousins.

*A Resident of Bangkok.*

## II. BOUND FEET—CHINA.

Why are we so anxious that the custom of foot-binding should be abolished? What harm does it do?

Last year one of our medical students counted up the number of patients who, in two months time, were brought to the hospital at Wei Hien, suffering from disease which had been caused by foot-binding. There were ten cases. Some had horrible fetid ulcers, produced by compression of the flesh, others had disease of the bones of the foot. In one case the disease was so extensive that it was necessary to amputate the foot. I have seen a child, healthy and strong before the feet were bound, become thin, yellow and weak from the continuous pain.

There is much agitation on the subject of foot-binding in China at present, and one very hopeful thing is that Chinese *men* are stirring in the matter. When we urge mothers to unbind their daughters' feet, they invariably reply, "Oh, we cannot. We could never find mothers-in-law for them." Boys do not want wives with unbound feet.

In North China the custom of binding the feet is universally practiced among the heathen, and also to a very great extent among the Christians. But from constant agitation of the subject, Christians are beginning to realize that it is not the thing for them to do. Just before I left China last fall, I was told that men of the district to the east of us had formed themselves into a society for the prevention of foot-binding. They pledged themselves to unbind where it was possible, and, in future, not to bind their daughters' feet.

A Chinese elder in the church was so full of zeal that he wrote an article on the subject and had it widely scattered among Christians. His wife had unbound her feet, and he said he was going to take her around among the churches with him as an example to other Christian women. Of thirty girls in the high school at Wei Hien only two have bound feet.

When the Chinese themselves realize

that it is as much a sin to mutilate the body as to destroy it by opium or alcohol, the reform will be more rapid. Some of the Christians do not yet take this view of it but many do, especially those who are at the present time coming into the church and upon whom this idea is impressed from the beginning. Freedom



A CHRISTIAN TEACHER, TUNGCHOW, AND HER NATURAL-FOOTED CHILDREN.

from this bondage will be one of many blessings which Christianity has brought to the Chinese woman.

(*Dr.*) *Mary Brown.*

"The Natural Feet Society," of Shanghai, is in line with the "Heavenly Foot Society" formed in Amoy several years ago.

## III. "THAT COVERED MOUTH"—PERSIA.

Many of the customs to which the women of Persia must conform, in the very nature of things tend to have a depressing effect on them both physically and

morally. Think of a woman having a thick muslin veil over her face and being obliged to wear it whenever she goes out on the street, no matter how hot the weather. When one comes into your room and raises her veil, as she is always glad to do, you see her flushed, hot face and you do not wonder that her head aches or her eyes are tired and sore. Think of the trial it is not to be able to lift the covering to get a breath of air as she goes along her way, for fear a passing man may see her face. This is *one* of the customs which help to make life a burden to women in Persia.

Among Armenians the head-dress is so arranged that it covers the mouth, the bandage sometimes even extending up over the nose. How unhealthy as well as uncomfortable!

When the Armenian girl is married, she puts on this head-dress, to be worn for the rest of her life. She is not allowed to speak in the presence of her mother-in-law, in whose home she ordinarily lives, and some say the reason of the mouth bandage is to remind a woman of her duty in this respect. No wonder that a bride

U. S. MINISTER to Siam, Mr. Barrett, honored Petchaburee Station with a visit early this year. Our friends unite in testimony to his kindness and consideration.



ARMENIAN VILLAGE GIRLS IN PERSIA.

often wears a sad and dejected appearance instead of the happy, joyous look which is her right. She becomes so accustomed not to speak for herself that it is often difficult to get her to speak aloud even after the privilege has been granted her. When she is sick we cannot get her to answer our questions, and have to be content with information at second-hand.

These are only two of the customs which bind and fetter the women of Persia. Is it any wonder that, with these constant reminders of their subjection, they are heavy hearted and their health suffers in consequence? Can we wonder that they feel no ambition to try for better things, and that American women's lives seem to

them full of happiness?

It will probably be many years, if ever, before the veil is done away among Persian women, but covering the mouth is, among Armenians in some parts of the country, falling into disuse, so that it is not so common a sight as it used to be. There is little of it in Teheran.

(Dr.) *Mary J. Smith.*

THE rulers of Nan Province, Laos, are warm friends to Dr. Peoples and thoroughly committed to the mission. Some of Dr. Mary Bowman's patients are from the highest families.

## ITINERATION IN NORTH CHINA.

[This article was intended for our February issue but was detained some weeks in quarantine on the journey.—EDITOR.]

Itineration, so far as I know it, is undertaken on the old principle, "If the mountain will not come to Mahomet, Mahomet must go to the mountain." A very large portion of the population of Shantung will not come to the missionary, just as Judea, Samaria and Galilee would not come to the Twelve, and as Asia Minor and Greece and Rome would not come to Paul; so the missionary in this day follows notable

examples,—and itinerates. Not at all seasons, for in midsummer those whom he seeks have no ear but for the sound of the sickle and the flail flapping on the threshing floor, and in the rainy season the roads cannot be forded, and in mid-winter there are classes at the central station requiring to be taught. But in late winter and the long idle spring, and in the busier and balmier autumn until

Christmastide, he goes seeking those who do not seek him. In the West Shantung Mission, his vehicle is usually a wheelbarrow. On his barrow, or at times on foot, the man missionary threads in and out the byways of travel, stopping at markets to establish himself in some unclaimed spot and call, "He that hath no money, come ye, buy and eat!" accepting chance invitations into a family school-room to tell the story to perhaps more thoughtful hearers; at noon and night introducing his fellow lodgers in the wretched inns to the thought of holy things; turning aside for a few hours, or a day, into villages in which the Chinese evangelist has told him some one has heard, believes a little and longs for more, and so on to the Christian stations whose little groups are to be taught and encouraged, admonished, perhaps corrected; schools to be examined; the oldest and the poorest to be sympathized with, and the various functions of the church looked after.

The woman missionary is not appreciated as an explorer of new regions or a taker-up of new claims. So, trying not to neglect wayside opportunities, she takes a direct path toward some station of Christians where she hopes to find welcome and work. She is rarely disappointed. By the time she has responded to all the shrill ejaculations of "You have come!" from those who turn out to attend her through the village, and has breathed for a few hours the dust and garlic given off by flapping shoe soles and the surcharged lungs of those who throng her low room, she realizes that she has received an ovation. Work is next and it is plenty. The Christian and nearly Christian women are to be taught the catechism, the Gospel. There is the school to whose pupils her coming is a great event. They must have new songs, per-

haps a little calisthenics, and must be won by loving-kindness. There are men also who gather at night for prayers and to hear or assist the singing, and to ask pathetic questions concerning the great "Outside."

But these are only a small part of the village, so she must marshal an attack upon the unsundered majority. She takes a little child by the hand and goes forth when the sun is aslant, dallying, that she may be invited to enter the doorways in which women stand gazing. She goes in and sits down to watch the thin coarse cakes baked, or the fire under the kettle kept blazing merrily. She accepts a dubious looking bowl of bean gruel. She takes an interest in the feeding of the voracious silk worms. Though she shudders at first, she submits to being inspected by fingers that do duty for sightless eyes, and puts her lips close to ears that are not only deaf. She takes dirty children on her knee and does not draw away from their mothers. She learns their home life and their special cares, trying to develop a second sight by which to see in these the sister, the lovable, the *belovee* of Him who is altogether lovely.

This is itineration, and the results are plain. Along the oft trod paths the people come to like the kind face and kind words of the stranger, and here and there one listens. His becomes a village which it is worth while to call upon. Then inquirers are enrolled there, and by-and-by there are baptisms. Then woman's work begins, and the gradual development into a little church—with its elder and deacon after awhile; a little section of the Church Triumphant, quite away from where any one would have expected it, perhaps, off the routes of travel, but close nestling beside the Highway of the King.

Lulu H. B. Chalfant.

## OUR MISSIONARIES IN SIAM AND LAOS, AND POST OFFICE ADDRESSES.

Letters for Laos should be addressed *via* Burma and Raheng, *not* to "Siam."

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Miss Larissa J. Cooper,	" "	Mrs. E. Wachter, "	Miss Julia Hatch,	Praa, "
Mrs. E. P. Dunlap,	" "	Mrs. Howard Campbell, Chieng Mai, Laos.	Mrs. W. F. Shields,	" "
Mrs. J. B. Dunlap,	" "	Mrs. D. G. Collins, "	Mrs. J. S. Thomas,	" "
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Mrs. Walter B. Toy,	" "	Mrs. Daniel McGilvary, "	Miss Kate Fleeson,	" "
Mrs. A. W. Cooper, Petchaburee, "	" "	Miss Cornelia McGilvary, "	Mrs. S. C. Peoples,	" "
Mrs. Chas. E. Eckels ( <i>en route</i> for U. S.),	" "	Miss M. A. McGilvary, "	Mrs. Chas. Denman,	Chieng Hai, "
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## MEXICO.

MRS. C. S. WILLIAMS writes in February from SAN LUIS POTOSI :

We have just reached home after a month's wandering over the republic. First to Mexico City for three weeks, attending Annual Mission Meeting, where many hard problems were discussed and settled with the help of the Spirit, who was manifestly present, making it the most blessed meeting we have ever had.

### ENTHUSIASTIC SEWING CLASS.

We reached home the day my class meets, so I rested only a few minutes and went down to my dear women. We had a splendid time. After the usual sewing had been laid aside, new work was planned for the coming year and the women became quite enthusiastic. In addition to the sewing class I told them I would teach them how to dress their children. I shall cut out the garments and they will do the sewing. Afterwards the garments will be sold to parents at cost of the cloth used. Only those who come regularly to assist in sewing will be allowed to purchase. They all promised to learn a Bible verse for each meeting in answer to roll call. That means a good deal of work for the majority.

### A LESSON IN CHRISTIAN WORK.

One of these women has for several weeks been unable to leave her bed on account of rheumatism. I told the rest about her, and said it was our duty to pray especially for her, and if we had faith, I was sure God would hear us and help her. They all promised to pray every day and to visit her. Yesterday I happened to meet my servant on the street with her mother and another woman, and asking where they were going they replied : " To see Virginia." Two others also went yesterday and the visits did the sick woman a great deal of good. She seemed deeply moved. The women told her what they had promised. She had been a constant attendant at our services, but I fear not from the best of motives. Her mother is a good, faithful Christian. Now it seems that the poor, sick woman is truly repentant of her careless life and anxious to

do better. It may be the means of bringing her to Christ. I tell you this simple story to give you an idea of the kind of work we are trying to do. Nothing helps the women so much as to feel that *they* are working.

I was going to say that this Woman's Work is that which I am most interested in, but when I think of the young people, and of the children in the day and Sunday-schools, I cannot say so, but shall have to leave that part till another time.

## PERSIA.

MISS G. Y. HOLLIDAY writes from TABRIZ :

We have a wide open door for calling, as the Armenians are more accessible than they have been for years, and will enter into religious conversation of a really profitable kind. We can also visit and receive the other race with more freedom than for some time past.

### REVIVAL MEETINGS.

We have been cheered and encouraged by meetings beginning with the Week of Prayer, which were held in Armenian at the boys' school every night for four consecutive weeks and largely attended by outsiders. They were real evangelistic meetings and when, during the last week, they began to have after-meetings for all who wished religious personal conversation, many stayed every night till nearly ten and seemed reluctant to go then. We hope conversions have taken place and that members of the church and missionaries have been quickened in spiritual life. God has been very gracious to us and has rebuked our unbelief and slowness of heart. We desire more grace, the baptism of the Holy Spirit, that we may be more efficient instruments in His hand.

## COLOMBIA.

MRS. J. G. TOUZEAU writes from Medellin:

We found everything in the best condition possible on our return. The school opened with quite a large number of new pupils and almost all the old ones; we are hoping that the Board will take pity on us some time and send us a teacher. I cannot help feeling sad and discouraged when I see how

large the school is going to be, and feel that the Board does not take the interest in that branch of the work that it does in others. If they could see the way we can work through these children, how many, many homes we can enter, and how many opportunities we have of reaching the parents, I think they would feel that the school work should not be given up. We shall begin the year with one teacher in the college and Anita and myself in charge of the little school. Anita is not well enough to do much teaching, but she is so good and faithful and will help in the care of the children in school and out. Mr. Touzeau still

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and sends it to all parts of Colombia; we often hear from it and hope and pray that it is taking the Gospel to many of the dark places in this country. The church service is also kept up, many seem to be interested and we have a good attendance at the meetings.

Mrs. S. J. Day, of Ohio, whose husband is in charge of the School of Arts in this city, is interested in our work and is helping me teach the children to sing. Mrs. Day plays the little organ, the gift of the Second Presbyterian Church, Washington, Pa., and it is a help and encouragement to have an American lady, not a missionary, willing to come to our services. Mr. and Mrs. Whittiken, another American family living here, gave Mr. Touzeau one hundred dollars, Colombian money, to be used in buying new desks for our new school-room. All this is very helpful and encouraging to us and we know you will be glad to hear of it too.

A lady who is soon to be received as a member of the church said to me only a short time ago, "The hardest thing I shall find in my Christian life will be

TRYING TO KEEP THE SABBATH.

I have been used all my life to think that if I went to hear mass in the morning then the day was just like any other." This lady is only one of thousands in Colombia, who know nothing at all of the commandment that teaches us to keep the Lord's Day and when they become converted that is one of the hardest difficulties to be overcome. A member of the church, who has been one for some years, cannot give up the custom of working on the Sabbath but he is very careful not to let Mr. Touzeau know about it. This man is a most faithful member aside from this one great weakness.

Those who are not Roman Catholics suffer in many ways; they are made fun of on the street, annoyed by their friends and told that when they die the priest will not forgive their sins and that will keep them out of heaven. When dead they cannot be buried in holy ground but must lie in a corner of the Catholic cemetery called "the dumping place." All these difficulties and many others are to be over-

come in confessing Christ. Still, with all they have had to suffer, there are some who have been most faithful.

CHINA.

AFTER THIRTY-SEVEN YEARS.

MRS. J. M. W. FARNHAM writes from SHANGHAI:

This has been an unusually busy fall and winter with mission meeting and conventions. Then I have been helping make a dictionary of the Shanghai dialect. For more than five months I have usually spent more than half a day on this work.

The Chinese tract society, of which Dr. Farnham is secretary, has just held its yearly meetings; it is in a very prosperous condition and has printed, sold and distributed many books during the past year. I wish you could have been at the Chinese meeting held on Sunday afternoon. It would have been a matter of encouragement, if you could have heard and understood the earnest addresses and listened to the cheerful singing—such a wonderful change from the first meeting we attended, thirty-six years ago. I think it was the first Sunday after our arrival and the "monthly concert." I never did hear such singing, no tune at all; each one making a noise, according to his own sweet will. Now there are organs in all the churches, many of them played by Chinese, and the singing as a rule is quite good.

It will be thirty-seven years next March since we landed on Chinese soil. In sailing from America, I thought I was leaving every comfort, and it was with very sad hearts that we saw the tug, the last link, unloose the cable and leave us. But my fears were never realized and we have had all we could wish for, and so much more than we deserve.

MISSIONARY PRAYER-MEETING FOUR HOURS LONG.

Our weekly missionary prayer-meeting, which usually holds from five o'clock to six, was quite an exception yesterday, for it commenced at two and continued until six. There is a very earnest desire among the missionaries for more spiritual power. We all need the quickening of the Holy Spirit for ourselves and for our work.

CHINA-HAINAN.

A SHORT BUT FRUITFUL LIFE.

MRS. J. C. MELROSE writes from NODOA more fully of the teacher referred to on our first page last month:

In November, Deg, one of our best assistants, was taken to his long rest. His was a very interesting life, though he was only twenty-nine at the time of his death. Seven years ago, Preacher Tang met Deg gambling, at a village where he worked as a tailor. He showed immediate interest in the gospel story and said he had heard part of it from the Catholics on the main land. Buddhism, Taoism, Confucianism and the Roman Catholic gospel, all had

been searched his in struggle to find the truth in which to rest. After hearing Mr. Tang and reading gospel tracts, he went to Namfong where Mr. Tang lived and asked for further instruction. Then he decided to enter the school here at Nodoo and went to bring his parents and two brothers here to live. The next year he was baptized and sent out to teach a Christian school in one of the villages; then was made an evangelist, until this year, when he was teacher in the boarding-school. Since his conversion, his parents, two brothers, his wife and mother-in-law, an uncle, aunt and cousin have all accepted the Saviour. His life, though short, was a fruitful one, filled with love and zeal and we know that though dead, his influence is not ended. It seemed hard to have him taken now when he was so needed by our struggling little church, but the Lord knows what is best for His own glory.

Two months ago a girls' school was opened here, with eight pupils, all from Christian homes. Mrs. Tang, the preacher's wife, has done most of the teaching, and Mrs. Deg has taken charge of the girls while they sew, or spin flax. The accommodations are so poor that we shall not be able to take any more pupils until a larger room is ready for them.

We have had very good news from Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiassen, at Lok-lah, so far from any but heathen neighbors. It is a sixteen days' journey from here by chair, over rough roads and through many trials.

## JAPAN.

### REPORT OF THE BIBLE SCHOOL.

MISS ANNIE WEST writes from Tokyo in January :

It falls to my lot to tell you what the last year has been in the Bible School, and something of what I have done in outside work. We have had twenty-five pupils, who, according to their age and ability, have been faithful students and earnest workers. In June five were graduated. Of these only one was under thirty-five years and two were over fifty. The oldest, aged fifty-six, has, in answer to the earnest request of missionaries and Christians in Hiroshima, returned to take up work which she had there for several years, but had left to complete her studies at the Bible school and graduate. She has gone, temporarily breaking into her course of study, to meet a special request for a worker "not young." She is Mrs. Suzuki, the wife of an evangelist working in Iyo. In July she joined her husband. She writes monthly letters to us and gives enthusiastic accounts of their work together, and of her special work for women and children.

Mrs. Endo is an earnest, nervous little woman over fifty years of age. She has an unusual knowledge of old Japan, and its customs and religions. The autumn floods prevented our making a proposed visit to her. We have every confidence in

her as a sincere Christian and an energetic worker. Her only trouble will arise from the fact that she sees wrongs and will not countenance them, but it is a good thing that some should have her courage.

Another, a widow of thirty-six, seemed to have every prospect of a peculiarly useful life as a Bible woman because she had pleasing ways of meeting and teaching people. In July, she went to a remote part of the province of Kiushiu, where she expected to remain until the close of the year. She was taken ill and in September returned to Tokyo. Examination proved, to her surprise and sorrow, that she had an incurable cancer. Her work for the Master will be short, perhaps only a few months instead of the years she had expected; but by her faith and hope in Christ she is daily preaching sermons and giving practical lessons to physicians, nurses and patients in the Red Cross Hospital. Thus far she has been wonderfully kept from suffering. Her sickness has taught the women to see in a new light, the meaning of the chief end of man.

### GOOD REASON FOR FEWER PUPILS.

Last year we received fewer new pupils. There was a large number of applicants in the autumn, but experience has taught us not only to consider the age and general qualifications but, as far as possible, to discover the real motive of those seeking admission to the Bible School. As a result of the increased vigilance on these three points, we declined to receive ten of those who applied. Two others withdrew application on learning the conditions of study and future work. This may seem to be a matter of regret when the demand for Bible women is greater than the supply; but, in view of the serious character of this work and the grave responsibility which awaits the graduate of the school, the greatest care in the selection of women seems necessary.

The usual evangelistic and Sabbath-school work has been carried on by the students. Every Sabbath they have been at work in ten places in Tokyo and the suburbs, holding meetings for women as well as assisting in or carrying on the Sabbath-schools. Owing to changes year before last, the class of 1897 could spend only three months instead of six in country work. They, however, with the younger women were at work in six places while others kept up work in seven of the Tokyo schools.

### TWO FEATURES LAST YEAR.

The report of our Bible school does not vary much from year to year, but last year's work may be said to have two distinguishing features. The women have shown an increasing zeal in helping to arouse "sleeping" and indifferent believers to their Christian duty and privilege. The Epistles of St. Paul have been a practical lesson, with a daily application, which we trust they will carry out to the churches.

On the other hand, they have with new candor (although in some cases with reluctance), acknowledged the real condition of that part of Japan which is still untouched by Christian teaching. It is interesting to see how this acknowledgment has led to a more thoughtful earnestness in studying how to carry the Gospel message to their fellow countrywomen, of whatever station in life, who are still in the darkness and superstition of heathenism. In this we have been much helped by several of the older women who have recently become Christians after a lifetime of Buddhism or Shintoism. Their own experience is fresh in their minds and, without reserve, they have told their own misunderstanding of the first teaching they received and the perplexities and difficulties which met them as they became "seekers after the truth."

#### PERPLEXING MISUNDERSTANDINGS.

Here is an illustration. In my thirteen years in Japan, I have heard many sermons on "Ye must be born again," or kindred texts, and the doctrine of regeneration has been expounded with varying ability and clearness by missionary and Japanese preacher, and I always supposed that the hearers had some comprehension of what the Christian meant when he said "Ye must be born again." Now what does one of these women tell me, and the rest of them echo it? When the ordinary person hears the ordinary sermon on this subject he quickly assents, "Of course, we must be born again." The woman hopes to be born a man, and have entrance into bliss; he who is unfortunate now, hopes for a bettered condition when he is next born; all dread the possibility of birth as a woman, a dog, or other animal in punishment for evil deeds. So to these hearers "to be born again" does not mean a heart purified and renewed, but the old hopeless story of transmigration of souls. Unless they have the careful explanation of what it is and is not, and the repeated "line upon line and precept upon precept," they are content to say, and do in fact say, "Your teaching and ours is the same, we too believe 'Ye must be born again.'" To us it is encouraging that the students have become more conscious of such difficulties and in a practical way are trying to prepare to meet them.

I have as much as possible visited women of the church in their homes. There is in the friendly conversation at home opportunity for personal teaching and suggestion about Christian daily living, which a woman's meeting does not give. Here is a chance, too, to interest parents in the Sabbath-school. Few if any of them know how to help their children prepare lessons. Sabbath-school has improved not only in numbers but in the regularity of attendance, in the preparation of lessons at home and in contributions. As most are children of Christian parents,

in them lies a great hope of future active Christians and substantial church members.

My Sabbath afternoons have been devoted to visiting in the Red Cross Hospital. This has been most interesting in itself, and has opened up a wide field for Christian work among the acquaintances made there.

## TURKEY.

### WOMAN'S WORK IN MUSUL.

MRS. C. C. HANSEN writes in her report for 1896:

Two Bible women have been steadily employed in this city. Sarra, a most lovely Christian girl, having thirty pupils, and her sister Julia, who can give only part of her time, fifteen pupils. Scores of women are begging for teachers. Sunday meetings were held about two miles from the church, also Sunday-school and neighborhood meetings, besides weekly meeting in one of the missionary homes. The attendance was always good, sometimes numbering sixty. When we remember that a few years ago, four or five women were with difficulty gathered once a week, we feel encouraged at the size of our meetings now and at the earnest way in which many of the women take part.

### A SEWING CLASS OF GIRLS

of the ages of twelve or thirteen, were instructed every Saturday forenoon, the first half-hour being devoted to Bible reading. The class numbered eighteen. Several Saturdays were given up to knitting stockings for Armenians. Twenty-five pairs were sent to the mountain districts north of Mardin, together with several garments and eleven *liras* in money. This is a great increase over the amount contributed last year to the poor, which came to about half a *lira* (\$2.20).

## SYRIA.

### A TRIUMPHANT DEATH.

MISS LOUISE M. LAW writes from SIDON in February:

About six months ago one of our old pupils came to the home of a relative near Sidon, hoping to regain health by change of air. She seemed better at first, but the colder weather proved her case to be consumption. Her severe illness lasted only about two weeks, during which she showed a sweet and restful spirit, ready to go when the Lord should call her. Her father and aunt were bigoted Catholics, and had not allowed her to unite with the Protestant church, but seeing that it would give the dying girl pleasure to confess Christ, they permitted her to do so before three of the missionaries, two elders of the church and others. This proved to be the day before her death. As her family could not read, she had the comfort of a mind richly stored with helpful verses, for her time of need. Her last words were, "Whether we live therefore or whether we die, we are the Lord's."

# HOME DEPARTMENT

THE MISSIONARY PRAYER-MEETING FOR JUNE.

**General Subject—Foreign Missionaries.**

- (a) Qualifications for appointment.
- (b) Salary and mode of living.
- (c) Distribution—proportion to the population, compare America.
- (d) Perils and privations—spirit of the missionary.
- (e) Organization—Missions—Stations.
- (f) Testimonies concerning.
- (g) Foreign missionary heroes and heroines.

**Prayer** that missionaries may be given wisdom in dealing with difficult questions; that they may be kept pure and single-hearted in their motives; that in hours of loneliness and peril, their trust and faith may be strengthened.

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Dedicated to the Memory of  
MRS. A. C. F. CUNNINGHAM  
of Wheeling, West Va.

Did she pause upon her going,  
'Ere she said goodbye to Time?  
Did that sweet soul, flushed and glowing,  
Linger, while the joyous chime  
Of the Hallelujah Chorus  
Welcomed her,—to say farewell?  
And,—as Heaven burst before her,  
—Turn to us?—Ah, who shall tell?

But the brightness of her living  
Shone all down her pilgrimage;  
And her friendship, in the giving  
All enriched, from youth to age;  
And the Lord Himself, who met her  
On the green of yonder shore,  
Saw in her pure eyes, His image!  
Saw, and blessed her, evermore.

“For His Glory” was her purpose;  
“All the World for Christ,” her aim;  
And the woes of many mothers  
She assuaged “in Jesus’ name;”  
And the Silver Anniversary  
Of her mission,—(just begun,)  
In the high, white light of Heaven  
Shall be kept beside His Throne!

(*Mrs. H. O.*) *N. P. Gilson.*

## ANNUAL MEETING OF WOMEN'S BOARD, NEW YORK.

“The church of the well loved Ellinwood,” thus did Dr. Stebbins, its pastor, designate the Central Presbyterian Church of Rochester, where the Women's Board of New York held its twenty-seventh Annual Meeting. This being the church which Dr. Ellinwood left to assume the honorable position he has so long filled as Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions. And what a church—a membership of 2,178, a S. S. of 1,929 members, which includes three Young Men's Bible Classes, numbering respectively 481, 200 and 292 members, and has on its honor roll the name of one woman who has been present every Sunday for thirty consecu-

tive years, excepting three, when she was prevented by sickness or death in the family. Over such a church the Spirit of Foreign Missions must indeed brood, and if possible the meeting was worthy of the place in which it was held. A representation of 150 delegates, the largest number yet accredited, a treasurer's report showing receipts over \$78,000, the highest figure yet reached, and though the contributions of the auxiliaries had fallen behind and this sum was partly due to money received from legacies, yet it was occasion for gratitude that it came even in this way at a time when it was so sorely needed.

The offerings during the services were



for a hymn-book for Korea. Two hundred and thirty-five dollars were raised.

The Social Meeting on Tuesday evening was very enjoyable, some very delightful music being given for the entertainment of the guests. "Prayer and its answers" was the subject of the devotional meeting led on Wednesday evening by Mrs. Alling. More time than usual of late years was given to the reports in the meeting, in the church, which followed. That of the Home Corresponding Secretaries was read by Mrs. Dennis. It showed the various methods to maintain an intimate union between the Women's Board and the Auxiliary Societies. It alluded to the loss sustained by the deaths of Mrs. Childs of Buffalo and Miss Howell of Niagara Presbytery, and spoke of the growing interest in foreign missions in the Christian Endeavor Societies, many Presbyterian Societies having a special secretary to represent those organizations. Mission Bands had also been organized during the year. Of one of these it was said the members never outgrew it, but came regularly to its meetings, although young men. "It is prayer which holds them together," says the leader.

Ten thousand letters had been sent from the Bureau of Exchange during the year—a few less than last year, as societies are depending more and more upon their Presbyterian secretaries.

One thousand two hundred and three missionary addresses had been made by Miss Cort, Miss Holmes, Mrs. Wellington White.

Miss Hawley read an abstract of the Report of the Foreign Secretaries. Seventy missionaries are now under charge of the Board. The sad death of Miss Jacobson of Seoul, Korea, was touchingly spoken of, and the glad announcement made that the Utica Presbyterian Society had undertaken to build a residence for the women medical missionaries in that place, to be called the Anna P. Jacobson Memorial.

The report for Publications gave a slight increase in the subscriptions to WOMAN'S WORK FOR WOMAN, whose list numbers between seventeen and eighteen thousand, requiring an edition of twenty thousand copies. Subscriptions to "Over Sea and Land" had slightly declined. Personal effort was asked to introduce the magazine into Sunday-schools.

Sales of leaflets had increased during the year, though fewer new ones had been published. Special effort was made to furnish those which set forth the lives of Christian converts in heathen lands.

Fifteen hundred "Year Books" had been sold, and more calls for them were received after the supply was exhausted.

The address on Wednesday morning was by Miss Boughton from Wei Hien, China. She thanked the Board in the name of those among whom she had labored, for what had been done for them. All Christian women in China were subjected to petty persecutions, but they have, Miss Boughton said, received life for death, hope for despair, and their hands are outstretched towards Christian America for help for their heathen sisters who are dying without hope of salvation.

In the afternoon service some fifty or sixty children took part, being grouped as representing the different peoples of Asia, Africa, South America, Guatemala and Mexico, two or three of each group telling with marvellous effect the story of their lives as passed in homes where Christ was not known. The immense audience was perfectly enraptured with the result of what must have cost infinite pains and effort. Before the close Mr. Hoskins of Syria addressed the children, giving them some Arabic proverbs. "One hand can't clap." The empty hand is a disgrace—exhorting them to serve the Lord with both hands. In the evening Rev. Drs. Millard and Taylor were in the pulpit, with Dr. Stebbins and missionaries.

Rev. Arthur J. Brown, D. D., gave an able address, speaking of the high character of the men and women working as Missionaries in heathen lands and eloquently vindicating them from the charge of extravagance, sometimes carelessly made. If it be right that men and women deprive themselves of all conditions of comfort, by all means let our laymen and clergymen in America set the example, he exclaimed. Of Rev. S. A. Moffett, who followed, a Rochester man that day had said "He's a cracker!" If this in Rochester parlance means an honest, simple, manly character, the man was right, if the story of his work in Korea, as told that evening, be evidence.

Of the last day of the feast what can be said? Miss Cort told of the comparative freedom of the women of Siam, most of the shopkeeping of that land being in their hands. Mrs. Hoskins, who, it had been stated, represented one hundred and twenty-six years of missionary life—forty-five for her father, forty-five for her mother, twenty-two in her own right, twenty for her brother, and four for her sister, Dr. Mary Eddy, told tellingly of the lives of Syrian women. . . . M. P.

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## SILVER ANNIVERSARIES.

On February 26, the Auxiliary of the Fourth Church of Syracuse, N. Y., celebrated its Twenty-fifth Anniversary. Invitations printed in silver letters had been sent out to the ladies of the church, and to many who had been members at some time during the history of the society.

About two hundred came. The officers, past and present, were seated in front, and different colored ribbons indicated the particular office each had filled. The service was held in the chapel which had been handsomely decorated. Among the

plants upon the piano and small tables were pictures of the past officers, some who had finished their work on earth, others who had gone to different parts of our land, and one, Mrs. Mary Van Meter Kelley, M. D., who has been for many years a member of the Baptist Mission in Burmah.

The society has had six different presidents; and the sixth in order, Mrs. Allan D. Draper, presided. We would like to give you our entire programme and wish it were possible to reproduce the enthu-

siasm and spirit of the meeting. The roll call of the entire list of officers was responded to by verses of scripture from those present, letters from the absent, and by texts read by daughters or friends of those who had been called "higher." The history of the "First Ten Years" was given by the vice-president, Mrs. E. D. Dickinson. It was a paper written for the first Praise Meeting fifteen years ago, by Mrs. Duguid, a former president and a greatly beloved worker, known by many outside of our church. This paper brought tender memories to the older ones and thoughts of loving work. Though the voice was changed the words were hers. The history of the "Second Ten Years" was given by Mrs. L. E. Phillips, who has the honor of having been leader of our Missionary Society more years than any other member.

The "History of the Last Five Years" was given by Mrs. Allan D. Draper. After speaking of the manner and method of work, she especially emphasized the work of Miss Ellen Law at Beirut, Syria, "Our Missionary" supported by the Fourth Church.

Mrs. Charles Hubbard, for ten years our treasurer and still a most devoted worker, who is now Presbyterial treasurer, gave a "History of the Treasury." Special music added to the service. After prayer the benediction was pronounced by the pastor, Rev. Allan D. Draper.

The ladies then adjourned to a supper and reception in the parlors. The guests were seated at tables beautifully decorated. At each plate was a blue print picture of our missionary, Miss Law.

*B. F. S. D.*

The twenty-fifth anniversary of the Presbyterial Society of New Brunswick was held March 25, in the First Church, Trenton, N. J., Mrs. Hunt presiding. Thirty-one churches were represented. The devotional service was conducted by Mrs. S. T. Lowrie of Philadelphia, formerly of Ewing, where the society was organized. Five of the original organizers were present.

Mrs. Chas. P. Turner, the beloved and gracious President of the parent society, brought greetings to the child; while Mrs. C. N. Thorpe, in her own forcible and unique way presented the topic "The Individual, or the Organization." The report of the secretary of literature was particularly interesting and suggestive. Miss Kuhl of Brazil and Mrs. Gerald F. Dale, Jr., of Syria, made the missionary addresses.

Dr. Dixon, pastor of the church, presided at the public meeting in the evening, which was addressed by the Rev. Dr. Purves of Princeton Seminary. The Rev. Dr. Mott of Newark gave some "Reminiscences" of the founding of the society.

All who were at Trenton will testify to the generous hospitality and cordial welcome of our hostesses.

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#### SINCE LAST MONTH.

##### ARRIVALS.

- March 17.—At San Francisco, Mr. Jas. Gale and family, from Gensan, Korea. Address, for the present: Mrs. Gale, 1435 Chapin St., Washington, D. C.; Mr. Gale at Alma, Ontario, Can.
- March 20.—At New York, Prof. and Mrs. J. G. Gilbertson, from Lahore, India. Address, 53 West 105th St., New York.
- March 25.—At New York, from N. India, Miss Clara Giddings. Address, Worcester, Mass. Miss Gertrude Morrison, eldest child of Rev. W. J. P. Morrison, Dehra. Address, Wooster, Ohio.
- April 9.—At New York, Miss Jessie Dunlap, from Saharanpur, India. Address, Chattanooga, Tenn.  
Miss Elma Donaldson, from Dehra, India. Address, Hagerstown, Md.  
Master Arthur Tedford, from Panhala, W. India. Address, Wooster, Ohio.  
Rev. J. C. R. Ewing, D.D., from Lahore, India, to join his wife at Washington, Pa.
- April 12.—At New York, Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Killie, from Ichowfu, China. Address, Marshall, Ill.

##### DEPARTURES.

- March 30.—From Pittsburg, Pa., Miss Clara E. Browning, to join the Mexico Mission at Mexico City.
- April 10.—From New York, Albert L. Bennett, M.D., to join the Africa Mission.

##### MARRIAGE.

- January 2.—At Lahore, India, by Rev. F. J. Newton, M.D., assisted by Rev. J. C. R. Ewing, D.D., Miss Clara Emily Hutchison of Woodstock School, to Rev. Ernest D. Martin, Lahore.

##### DEATH.

- February 10.—At Tokyo, Japan, Rev. Jas. Mitchell McCauley, D.D., at the age of forty-nine years and after twenty years of service abroad.
- March 1.—At Tungchow, China, Agnes Irene, only daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Watson M. Hayes, aged five years and five months.

THE fourteenth annual meeting of the International Missionary Union will be held at Clifton Springs, N. Y., June 9-15, 1897. Further information obtained by addressing Mrs. C. C. Thayer, Clifton Springs.

## To the Auxiliaries.

[For address of each headquarters and list of officers see third page of cover.]

### From Philadelphia.

Send all letters to 1334 Chestnut Street.

Directors' Meeting first Tuesday, and prayer-meeting third Tuesday of the month, in the Assembly Room, each beginning at 11 o'clock, A.M., Visitors welcome.

The Annual Meeting of the Corporation of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, will be held at 1334 Chestnut St., Tuesday, May 4th, at 11 A.M. Mrs. J. R. Miller, Rec. Sec'y.

OUR Secretaries of Literature will be glad to welcome the following carefully selected lists of leaflets which bear more or less directly on the subject for May—"Woman's Work." (The small letters refer to the divisions of the subject.) (a) *Travel and Life in Dehra*, 2 cts. (b) *Salaan*, 2 cts. *Selma*, 2 cts. *Mind of Chinese Women*, 1 ct. *Some Visits to Christless Homes*, 2 cts. *Girls and Women of Korea*, 2 cts. *Women of Mexico*, 2 cts. *What is a Zenana?* 1 ct. *A Bit of Zenana Work*, 1 ct. (ab) *Premadina*, 2 cts. *Get the Women*, 1 ct. (d) *What Our Missionary Doctors Do*, 2 cts. *Medical Missions*, 2 cts. (f) *Women's Organized Mission Work*, 3 cts. *Historical Sketch of W. F. M. S.*, 1 ct. *Story of Twenty-five Years*, 5 cts. (af) *A Girdle Round the Earth of Women's Missionary Service*, 5 cts. (f) *Hand Book for Foreign Missionary Workers*, 8 cts. *Foreign Missionary Catechism*, 2 cts. *Blue Banner Drill*, 1 ct. *Training of Women for Medical Mission Work*, 2 cts.

*Historical Sketches* (10 cts.), *Question Books* (5 cts.) and *Flash Lights* (3 cts.) on the various countries, together with the *Manual of Missions* (5 cts.), *Foreign Missionary Catechism* (2 cts.) and *Facts on Foreign Missions* (5 cts.) contain information on most of the subjects for the year and are good for general reference, but are not easily classified under the new subjects.

Interesting copied letters relating to woman's work in its different phases on the mission field may be had for price of postage.

THE Bands and Christian Endeavor Societies contributing to Miss Thiede's house, Wagah, India, will be happy to learn that an interesting letter from that station is ready for their use. Send for a copy.

### From Chicago.

Meetings at Room 48 McCormick Block, 69 and 71 Dearborn Street, every Friday at 10 A. M. Visitors welcome.

IN taking up the study for May, Siam and Laos, our Societies need the *Question Book*, 5

cts.; *Flash Lights on Siam and Laos*, 3 cts.; the poem, *Come Over and Help Us*, 1 ct.; and perhaps the younger ones would like the exercise, *Model Band Meeting*, 3 cts. For the new topic, Woman's Work, the volume of addresses, *Woman in Missions*, given at the Congress of Missions in 1893, copies of which we have at \$1.00. Those who cannot buy the volume mentioned, can get two of the addresses, in leaflet form: *History of Woman's Organized Work*, 3 cts., and *Woman Under the Ethnic Religions*, 2 cts. Also a new one, *Is it Worth While?* 2 cts.

WE have in our circulating library several of the books mentioned in *The Church at Home and Abroad* for April, pp. 306, 307. These books are loaned for two weeks, the borrower paying the cost of transportation only.

DO our Societies know how full of helpful information our little *Manual of Missions* is? (Price, 5 cts.) One of our Presbyterial officers writes: "It may interest you to know that after my husband used my *Manual* at prayer-meeting, the men all flocked around him to know where he got it, with the result that I am requested to order for the Men's League one dollar's worth."

FROM many we hear, "We cannot get our women out to our Foreign Mission Meetings; they will all come when there is work to do to occupy their hands." Perhaps the leaflet republished from WOMAN'S WORK several years since, *The Mission of Failures*, 2 cents a copy, might help these same troubled ones. For all of the above, address the W. P. B. M., Room 48, McCormick Block, Chicago, Ill.

BEFORE other Chicago notes are issued the *Twenty-sixth Annual Report* will be printed and we hope a copy will be in the hands of the Secretary of each Auxiliary, Band and C. E. Society, for the use of the Society, by July first. If a copy is not received, let the Secretary notify us and a duplicate will be promptly sent. Honorary and Life Members can have a copy if a request with their present address is sent us.

WE have two new leaflets, *A Bit of Zenana Work*, 1 ct. each, 10 cts. per doz. *Sarina's Yellow Rolls and Lemuel's Lower Meadow*, 2 cts. each, 15 cts. per dozen.

### Northern New York.

WHEN this is read, the Twenty-fifth Annual Meeting, which we are all at this writing anticipating with so much pleasure, will be a thing of the past, and our faces will be turned towards a

new year. What the record of the new year will be, depends largely upon what the delegates carry away with them from Annual Meeting. If each delegate returns to her own Church and Society, with an added sense of her individual responsibility in seeking to hasten the coming of the Master's kingdom, and with an earnest purpose to use every opportunity that God shall give her, to enlist the sympathy and coöperation of others, in this blessed work, the coming year will bring forth an abundant harvest.

DEATH has called to their reward, since the beginning of the year, three of our faithful and efficient workers. Miss Mary L. Beatty, for so many years the devoted Secretary of the Johnsonville, N. Y., Society; Miss Alice Day, of Catskill, N. Y., who was identified with the work of the Society from the beginning as a District Secretary, and later as one of the Vice-Presidents; and Mrs. James Sanders, of Schenectady, N. Y., who all her life sought in every way to further the coming of her Redeemer's kingdom. "They rest from their labors, and their works do follow them." Who will hear and heed the call to take up the work they have at the Master's bidding, laid down?

### *From Portland, Oregon.*

Meetings on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at the First Presbyterian Church. Visitors welcome.

OUR readers are familiar with the name of Ah Won in connection with the Chinese Home. It has long been her desire to fit herself for some active Christian work, preferably to become a medical helper. At last the opportunity has come to make the trial. Through the influence of Dr. and Mrs. Holt arrangements have been made for her to enter the Portland Hospital as a

student in the training class for nurses. She donned the regulation dress and with a happy heart began her duties a few weeks ago. We feel sure that this sweet Christian Chinese girl will win her way into the hearts of all connected with the hospital.

DR. MAUD ALLEN has passed her *final* examinations in the study of two languages. We rejoice that she has been able to accomplish so much in the two years that she has been in India. By careful economy and the generous aid of a few friends she has erected a small hospital near her home. It consists of seven rooms and is built of sun-dried brick protected on the outside by kiln-dried brick. While this hospital was very much needed, no appropriation was asked or received from the Board. The zeal and self-sacrifice of Dr. Allen and her associates is certainly commendable.

BY invitation, Mrs. E. W. Allen has visited a number of Auxiliaries in Willamette Presbytery. Whenever a stereopticon could be obtained she gave the "Trip through India with Dr. Allen" previously referred to in these columns. In other places, she told the story of her daughter's work up to the present time. She had with her many curios and pictures illustrating customs and traditions of the people. She visited nine churches. She spoke to the Sabbath-schools about Sabbath-schools in India. To Bands she told the story of the condition of children in this heathen land. To evening audiences, she told of the great needs of the women and the work done to save them.

Mrs. Allen has since been invited to attend the Annual Presbyterial Meeting at Brownsville, April 13, and address the popular meeting of Presbytery.

## NEW AUXILIARIES AND BANDS.

### ILLINOIS.

Chicago Heights.  
Wellington.

### KANSAS.

Garden City.  
Iuka.  
Larned.  
Petone, S.C.E.  
Rossville, S.C.E.  
Sylvan Grove, Jr. C.E.

### KENTUCKY.

Alliance Ch., Louisville.  
Immanuel Ch., Louisville.

### MINNESOTA.

Hastings, Students' Club.  
Pratt.

### MISSOURI.

De Soto, C.E.  
Raymore, Jr. C.E.  
St. Louis, Westminster Ch., C.E.

### NEW YORK.

Geneseo, Cheerful Givers.  
Ogdensburg.  
Oswegatchie, 1st Ch.,  
Over Sea and Land Bd.  
Utica, Olivet Ch., Olivet Band.

### NORTH DAKOTA.

Hunter.

### OHIO.

Cincinnati, 1st Ch.,  
King's Messengers.  
2d Ch., Wide Awake Bd.  
North Side Ch., Willing  
Workers.  
Steubenville, 2d Ch.,  
Young Ladies' Band.

### TEXAS.

Glen Rose, C.E.

## Receipts of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church from March 1, 1897.

[PRESBYTERIES IN SMALL CAPITALS.]

Thank offerings are designated by an (\*) asterisk.

BALTIMORE.—Aberdeen, Grove, 23; Annapolis, 6.65; Baltimore, 1st (137.80\*), 611.90, S.S., 400, Golden Rule Circle, 85, Girls', 50; 2d Ch., 43.67, Willing Hearts, 29.88, R. H. Smith Bd., 5, Alex'r Proudfit Bd., 7.50, Earnest Workers, 25; 12th, 15, Girls' Bd., 14; Aisquith St., 63; Boundary Ave., 91.77; Boys' and Girls' Links, 88.79, S.C.E., 1; Broadway, 18, S.S., 8.20; Brown Mem., 447; Mrs. E. P. S. Jones Bd., 158.28; Casket of Jewels, 16.50, Handful of Corn, 40, S.S., 58.50, S.C.E. Jr., 6; Central, 127, Seek and Save Bd., 60, Y.L.B., 5, S.C.E., 5, Buds of Promise, 20, S.S., 150; Covenant, S.C.E. Jr., 5; Faith, 19, Faith Workers, 111, Loyal Workers, 12, Co-workers, 25, Cheerful Workers, 13.87, Light Bearers, 8.03; Fulton Ave., 5, Pearl Seekers, 12, S.C.E. Jr., 10; Lafayette Sq., 24.91, Earnest Workers, 50, Sunshine, 5, S.S., 15, S.C.E. Jr. 3; Light St., 20, Willing Workers, 10, S.C.E. Jr., 5; Park,

70.78; Ridgley St., 22, Morning Star Bd., 17; Waverly, 16, Girls' Bd., 5, Baby Bd., 36, S.C.E., 10; Westm'r, 45.20; Bel Air, 25, Joy Bd., 37; Bethel, 38, Evening Star Bd., 8.56; Chestnut Grove, 16; Churchville, 36.25; Deer Creek Harmony, 43.80; Ellicott City, 53.79, Rose of Sharon Bd., 41.71; Emmitsburg, 32.26, Do-What-You-Can Bd., 4.17; Govanstown, 8; Hagerstown, 45; Lonaconing, 10; Piney Creek, 24; Relay, 3, \$3,690.78  
BLAIRSVILLE.—Armagh, 6; Beulah, 46; Blairsville, 7.19, L. B., 2.25; Braddock, Whatsoever Bd., 6; Congruity, 9; Derry, 21.44; Greensburg, 1st, 65.31, Foster Bd., 40; Westm'r, 19.25; Harrison City, 10; Irwin, 7.50; Jeannette, 5.34, Rain or Shine Bd., 5; Johnstown, 7.16, Y.L.B., 10, I-Will-Try Bd., 12.75, Morrellville, 2.42, Band, 1.29; Ligonier, 16, S.C.E., 10; Murrsville, Boys and Girls, 70.84; New Alexandria, 10; New

Salem, 40; Parnassus, 68.08. S.S., 50; Pine Run, 38, Orr Bd., 6; Plum Creek, 20; Poke Run, 5.88; Unity, 15, Girls' Bd., 14.50, 648.20

CARLISLE.—Carlisle, 1st, 66, 57, S.S., 16.61, Golden Chain, 61; 2d, 43.09, Y.L.B., 27.30; Chambersburg, Central, 90.47, Y.L.B., 22.90, Sunshine Bd., 9; Chambersburg, Falling Sprs., 257, Y.L.B., 202.12, S.S., 35.33; Dauphin, 25, Jr. Soc., 50; Dickinson, 16; Dillsburg, 4.50; Duncannon, 54.60; Gettysburg, 85, Willing Workers, 5; Greencastle, 30.07, Y.L.B., 7.50, Lilies of the Valley, 20; Harrisburg, Market Sq., 123.75, S.S. Sr. Dept., 25.93, Macedonia Bd., 50, John A. Weir Bd., 40, L.L. Bearers, 5.50, Busy Bees, 3, Trust Bd., 5, W. Helpers, 2, Mrs. Harvey's Cl., 1; Pine St., 175.75, Syrian Helpers, 50, Mrs. Boyd's Cl., 50, Y.L.B., 106.70, Mary Campbell Bd., 15, Chambers Bd., 10, S. H. Kautz's Cl., 10, Reapers Bd., 7.50, Mrs. Snodgrass' Cl., 7.50, Miss Pollock's Cl., 10, Mrs. Hamilton's Cl., 25; Olivet, 3; Westm'r, 39, S.S. Sr. Dept., 34.37, Infant Dept., 1; Lebanon, Christ Ch., 30.50, S.C.E. Jr., 5.47; Lower Marsh Creek, 16.05; Lower Path Valley, 25, Willing Workers Bd., 2.50; McConnellsburg, 23, Coral Workers, 14; Mechanicsburg, 58, Birthday Bd., 6.50; Mercersburg, 12.16, Y.L.B., 35.62, Thos. Creigh Bd., 22.59, L.L. Bearers, 4.25; Middletown, 15; New Bloomfield, 9, S.C.E., 8; Newport, 11.75; Newville, Big Spring, 45, Bd. of Hope, 36.50, Boys' Bd., 6.54, Newville Hopeful Workers, 120, Y.L., 33, Dewdrops, 5.25; Paxton, Cheerful Givers, 30; Rob't Kennedy Mem'l, 5; St. Thomas, 7.25, Band, 6.46; Shippensburg, 57.34, Y.P.S., 30, Hull Bd., 77.26; Steelton, 4.35; Waynesboro, 20.26, 2,723.66

CHESTER.—Atglen, 27; Avondale, 43.40; Berwyn, 24.50, Boys' Bd., 15, Mustard Seeds, 25, Willing Workers, 1, S.C.E., 5; Bryn Mawr, 50; Chester, 1st, 5, S.C.E., 10; 2d, 10.86, S.C.E., 5.50, S.S., 25, M. B. Reany Bd., 2.18; 3d, 38; Christiana, 28.25; Coatsville, 35, S.C.E., 15, S.S., 15; Darby, 37.81, Mrs. James Donaldson, 25, Sunbeam, 15, Ivy Leaf Bd., 15, Seek and Save, 6.50; Doe Run, S.C.E., 4.50; Dilworthtown, 4.40; Downingtown, 16.85, Agnes Bd., 9.42, S.S., 23; East Whiteland, 10; Fairview, 12; Faggs Manor, 25; Forks of Brandywine, 30.50; Great Valley, 54.76; Honey Brook, 25, S.C.E. Jr., 6, Pansy, 2.50, S.S., 6.20; Kennett Sq., 13, S.C.E., 4, S.C.E. Jr., 3.80, S.S., 15; Lansdowne, 31.04, Rope Holders, 8; Lincoln, S.S., 2.70; Marple, 18; Media, 71.09; Middletown, 17.30, Perseverance, 9, Y.L., 13; New London, 28.58, S.S., 5; Oxford, 92, American Chapter, 24, India Chapter, 20, Syria Chapter, 30, S.C.E., 60; Phoenixville, 41.78, S.C.E., 6.72, Primary Sch., 1.50; Ridley Park, 15, Dewdrop, 5; Toughkenamon, 6.67; Upper Octorara, 100, Hope and Trust Bd., 15, Octorara, 18, Marshall, 12, S.C.E., 10, S.C.E. Jr., 5; Wayne, 76, Mt. Pleasant Soc., 1.85, Y.L.B., 10, S.C.E. Jr., 5; W. Chester, 1st, 121.05, S.C.E., 4.74, S.C.E. Jr., 5; Westm'r, 108.77, S.C.E., 10, S.C.E. Jr., 12.22, S.S., 20.50; West Grove, 10.63, S.C.E., 2.87, 1,780.00

CLARION.—Beechwoods, Pancoast Bd., 15; East Brady, Beacon Lights, 8; Emelton, S.S., 11.44, S.C.E., 6; DuBois, 35; New Bethlehem, 65, S.S., 24; Penfield, 11; Punxsutawney, 5, S.C.E., 7.11; Reynoldsville, 25, 212.55

EAST FLORIDA.—Eustis, 8.35

ELIZABETH.—Roselle, 1st, S.C.E., 12.00

FAIRFIELD.—Goodwill, 1; Melina, 1, 2.00

HUNTINGTON.—Alexandria, 21.15, S.C.E., 5, S.C.E. Jr., 7.50, Hartslog Val., 7.76, L.L.B., 25 cts.; Altoona, 1st, 9.38, Y.L.B., 16.50, Mission Gardeners, 3.40; 2d, 59, Panethia Bd., 20, Opportunity Bd., 9; 3d, 20, Y.L.B., 15, S.C.E. Jr., 5; Broad Ave., 23, Y.L.B., 6, Boys' Brigade, 5, S.C.E. Jr., 10; Bald Eagle, 8.59, Eliot Bd., 1.50; Bedford, 20, L.L.B., King's Children and S.C.E. Jr., 3; Bellefonte, 187.62; Bellwood, 32; Birmingham (Mrs. H. H. Henry in mem.), 10, 24.35, Mt. Seminary Bd., 100, Warrorsmark (20\*), 106.19, Acorn Club, 12.09; Clearfield (21.93\*), 35.53, Golden Links, 13.97, L.L.B., 1; Curwensville, King's Daughters, 30; Duncansville, 6.69, Busy Bees, 2, W. Workers, 4.56; E. Kishacoquillas, 57.95, Band, 2.75, S.C.E., 10; Everett, 5.50; Hollidaysburg, W. Workers, 22, Seminary Bd., 25; Huntingdon, 52.96, Y.L.B., 10, Earnest Workers, 5, West S.S., 8.82; Kylertown, 9, Bd. of Hope, 2.50; Lost Creek, 13.35, L.L.B., 50 cts.; Martinsburg, 21.65; Mifflintown, 21.46, Y.L.B., 15; Milesburg, 6, S.C.E. Jr., 50 cts.; Milroy, 20, Butler Bd., 3, Pansy, 2; Mt. Union, 23, Mrs. Appleby, 5, Y.P.S., 17.05, Daisy Bd., 9; Osceola, 30; Petersburg, 15.60, Juniata Bd., 3.50; Philipsburg (7.46\*), 9.83, Jessie Scott Bd., 5, Arbutus, 5; Pine Grove, 24; Port Royal, 8.25; Shirlersburg, S.C.E., 2.55; Sinking Creek, L.L.B., 1.50; Sinking Valley, 52.34; Gleaners, 38.10; Spring Creek, 31.49, Boalsburg Bd., 2.75; Spruce Creek, 185.73, C. W. Stewart Bd., 7.03, Cool Run Bd., 12, I-Will-Try Bd., 7.50, Colerain Forge S.S., 52; State College, 30.39, S.C.E. Jr., 3.35; Tyrone (honorary members), 30, 10.49, Moore Bd., 16.18, L.L.B., 5.25, J. R. Davies Bd., 57.50, Helpers, 50 cts., S.C.E. Jr., 3; Upper Tuscarora, Circle, 13; Williamsburg, 60.50, L.L.B., 1.25, 1,900.68

JERSEY CITY.—Garfield, 5, S.C.E. Jr., 2.50; Hoboken, 50, Wood Violets, 20; Jersey City, 1st, 132.86, S.C.E. Jr., 9.26; 2d, 53; Scotch, 25; Westm'r, 7, S.C.E. Jr., 2.50; Newfoundland, 18.50; Passaic, 48, Pansy Bd., 56, L.L.B., 6; Paterson, 1st, 50, Y.W.S., 40.75, S.C.E. Jr., 15; 2d, 25; Church of the Redeemer, 85, Cheerful Workers, 12.50, Y.L.B., 6.54; Westm'r, 6, S.C.E., 5; Rutherford, 70.71, Y.L.B., 33.10; Tenafly, 16.50, Y.L.B., 7.96, Little Helpers, 2.50; West Hoboken Workers, 63; West Milford, 32, W. Workers, 30, 947.18

LACKAWANNA.—Wilkes Barre, Westm'r Chapel Bd., 3.00

MAUMEE.—Fayette, 2.70; Montpelier, 4, 6.70  
MONMOUTH.—Long Branch, 102; Shrewsbury, 20, 122.00  
MORRIS AND ORANGE.—Boonton, 74, S.C.E. Jr., 10; E. Orange, 1st, 40, Willing Workers, 40; Arlington Ave., 25; Bethel, 8; Brick (157.50\*), 257.50, Y.L.B., 30, Heart and Hand Bd. (5\*), 35; Hanover, S.C.E., 10; Madison, 63.42, Y.L.B., 78.53; Mendham, 25; Mt. Freedom, 15.50; New Providence, 60; Orange, Central, Heart and Hand Bd., 10; Schooley's Mountain, Aux, S.C.E. and S.C.E. Jr., 821.05

NORTHUMBERLAND.—Bald Eagle and Nittany, 12; Beech Creek, 8.05; Berwick, 12, Y.L.S., 19.18, Lend-a-Hand Bd., 4.25; Bloomsburg, 41, Neal Bd., 80, S.S., 50, S.C.E., 20; Briar Creek, 4.06; Buffalo Cross Roads, 22.41; Buffalo Millfling, 17.20; Chillisquaque, 19; Danville, Grove, 40.09, Lily Neal Bd., 20, S.S., 20.50, S.C.E. Jr., 3; Danville, Mahoning, 31.26, Kate Best Bd., 5.94, Y.L.S., 8.60; Derry, 66; Jersey Shore, 41.17, S.S., 11.16; Lewisburg, 46.63, Young Woman's Bd., 15, Snowflakes, 12.20; Linden, 11; Lock Haven, 100.55, Young Women's Bd., 95.30, S.S., 20, L.L.B., 5.85, S.C.E. Jr., 1.83; Lycoming, 16.75, Newton Bd., 10, S.C.E., 5, S.C.E. Jr., 5; Millflingburg, 20.77, Reardon Bd., 10, S.C.E., 1.78; Milton, 123.60, Y.L.S., 47, J. C. Watson Bd., 9, S.C.E., 78.58, Primary Sch., 16; Montgomery, 10; Mooresburg, 13.50, W. Workers, 2, S.S., 4; Mt. Carmel, J.P.M., 10; Muncy, 38.46, Mrs. Petriken, 10, S.S., 2.38, S.C.E. Jr., 5; New Berlin, 12; Northumberland, 12.50, S.S., 4; Orangeville, 40; Renovo, Y.L.B., 3; Shamokin, 32; Sunbury, 63.87; Warrior Run, 50; Washington, 23, Y.L.S., 3.35; Washingtonville, 40; Watsonstown, 26.50; Williamsport 1st, 117.56, Richard Armstrong Bd., 100, S.C.E. Jr., 5; 2d Ch. 207.82, Y.L.S., 41.96, Junior Soc., 20; 3d Ch. 45, L.L.B., 1.52; Bethany, 12.15. Mrs. J. P. Packer, 5; Pres. Soc., 21, 2,185.00

PHILADELPHIA.—Arch St., 104, Joy Bells, 20; Bethesda, 70; Bethlehem, S.S., 30, Spring Violets, 9; Central, S.C.E. Jr., 25; Cohocksink, 50; 1st, N.L., 70, S.C.E., 10; Memorial, S.S., 30, S.C.E., 5; North, 102, S.S., 30; N. Broad St., 216.26; Princeton, 50, Helping Hands, 30; Temple, Workers, 25.72, Grace Bd., 15, S.C.E., 5; Tioga, 25; Trinity, 30; Union Tabernacle, 100; West Hope, 31.17, Little Stars, 12.84, S.C.E., 30; West Park, 2.53, 1,783.52

PHILADELPHIA, NORTH.—A Friend, 4.00

PITTSBURGH AND ALLEGHENY COM.—Allegheny, 1st, 215; 2d, 27, S.S., 14, S.C.E., 10; Central, 80.66; McClure Ave., 55.30, Infant Sch., 30; North, 134.05, Hodge Bd., 100, Light Bearers and King's Daughters, 3.16; Providence, 50; Westm'r, 14.20; Avalon, 9; Bakerstown, 24; Beaver, 75, Anna H. Stokes Bd., 12; Bellevue, 78.39, Whatsoever, 16.30, S.C.E. Jr., 5; Bethany, 80.40; Bridgewater, 30; Bull Creek, 11; Canonsburg, 1st, 20.85, Mayflower Bd., 42.11, S.C.E., 3.21; Canonsburg Central, 28; Chartiers, 22.50, Little Reapers, 23.50, S.S., 5.25, S.C.E., 10; Coraopolis, 98.29, Mr. and Mrs. Neely, 10, Dorcas Links, 16, S.C.E., 5; Crafton, 15.34, Charlotte Haves Bd., 1.76, S.C.E., 15, S.C.E. Jr., 2.40; Edgewood, 89.06, Dickinson Bd., 20, S.S., 42.80; Emsworth, 42.20, King's Messengers, 7, Little Branches, 4.50; Evans City, 22.25; Freedom, 10, S.C.E., 3; Glenfield, 29.83, Forget-me-not Bd., 1.50; Glenshaw, 5, Y.L.B., 1.70, Sunshine Bd., 1; Hiland, 33; Hoboken, 10, Y.L.B., 3; Homestead, 30, Ministering Children, 1.50, Industry, 8.15; Leetsdale, 23.23; Lebanon, S.C.E., 8, S.C.E. Jr., 1; McDonald, 2.70; McKees Rocks, L.L.B., 5; Mansfield, 53; Millvale, 10; Monongahela, 78.38, L.L.B., 5.25; Mt. Carmel, 15; Mt. Pisgah, 60; Nateona, 21; New Salem, 7; Oakdale, 17.55; McKunkin Bd., 35; Oakmont, 29.13; Pittsburgh, 1st, 226.26; 2d, 97.50, In Mem. of Mrs. McFarlane, 25; 3d, 318.15; 6th, 150, Juv. Circle, 21; Bellefield, 399, King's Daughters, 25, Busy Bees, 18.08; Covenant, 52.50; East End, 18, L.L.B., 1.25, E.R. Bd., 1, S.C.E., 1; East Liberty, 195.55, L.L.B., 2, Helpers, 6.50, Nellie Cuthbert Bd., 13, Henry Bd., 15, Young Women's, 30, Signet, 25, Y.P. Assoc., 100, King's Daughters, 10, Golden Rule, 25, Buds of Promise, 56.09, Haymakers, 6, Boys Brigade, 1st Div., 25, 3d Div., 24.75, Valley View King's Messengers, 3.50; 43d St., 42.75, Ezri Bd., 8, Y.P.S., 10, Grace Mem'l, 7; Hazlewood, 25; Highland, 15, Y.L.S., 24.50; Home-wood Ave., 3; Knoxville, Buds of Promise, 5, S.C.E. Jr., 11; Lawrenceville, 100.50, Linn Bd., 25, McConnell Bd., 19; McCandless Ave., 3.50, S.C.E. Jr., 10; Morningside, 5; Park Ave., 55.95, Gleaners, 30.25, Chalfant Bd., 36.41, Sunbeams, 6, Pansy, 29.60, L.L.B., 6, Miss Chalfant's Mite Box, 5; Point Breeze, S.S., 50; Shady Side, 168; South Side, 50; Tabernacle, 47.36, S.S., 21.60; Raccoon, 84; Rochester, 15.50; Sewickley, 87.29, Y.L.B., 32.9; Sharon, 43.64; Sharsburg, 63.10, Little Helpers, 7.25; Springdale, 1; Swissvale, 100; Tarentum, 44.63, S.C.E., 5; Van Port, 5; Wilkinsburg, 138.40, R. J. Reed Bd., 60, 5,635.78

SHENANGO.—Centre, 7; Hermon, 16.15, Leesburg, 13; Mt. Pleasant, 30; Neshannock, 23.60; New Castle, 1st, S.C.E., 10; New Castle Central, 10.65; Rich Hill, 21; Sharon, 20; Slippery Rock, 5; Wampum, S.C.E., 15; Westfield, 15.07, 186.47

SOUTHERN VIRGINIA.—Allen Mem'l, 53 cts.; Bethesda Bd., 1; Big Oak, 1; Christ, Earnest Workers, 1; Grace Chapel, 1; Mizpah, 1, 5.53

WASHINGTON CITY.—Anacostia, Garden Mem., 5; Ballston, 5; Darnestown, Earnest Workers, 15.50; Eckington, 3; Falls, 58; Hyattsville, 16.33, McIlvaine Bd., 16.37, Y.L.B., 37.45; Kensington, Warner Mem'l, 8, King's Messengers, 25, S.C.E., 4.50; Lewinsville, 4.60, Workers for Christ, 2; Manasses, 10.50; Takoma Park, 4.50; Vienna, 2; Washington, 1st, 27.50; 4th,

18.33, Golden Chain of Berwyn Chapel, 5, S.C.E., 5.05; 6th, 31, Cheerful Givers, 5; Covenant, 345.88, Y.L.B., 43, Girls, 5, Peck Chapel, S.S., 55, S.C.E., 2; 15th St., 10; Assembly, 31.20, S.C.E., 2.31, S.C.E. Jr., 6; Eastern, 5, Y.P. Circle, 10, S.C.E., 2.50, S.C.E. Jr., 7.68; Gunton Temple, 16.15, S.C.E., 4.50, S.C.E. Jr., 6.88; Gurley Mem'l, 34, S.C.E., 2.85; Immanuel, S.S., 1; Metropolitan, 25, Mateer Bd., 25, S.C.E. Jr., 10; New York Ave., 125, Y.W. Guild, 45, S.C.E., 3.86, Bethany, S.C.E., 1.75, Faith Chapel, S.C.E., 6.50; North, 10; Western, 5; West St., 53.40, S.C.E., 8.50, S.C.E. Jr., 1.25; Westm'r, 36.25, S.C.E., 4.25. 1,261.33  
 WOOSTER.—Apple Creek, 4.50; Ashland, 33.85 (\*); Belleville, 6.01; Bethel, 1.55; Canal Fulton, 5; Congress, 24; Creston, 18.85; Dalton, 5.56 (\*), S.C.E., 5; Doylestown, 3; Fredericksburg, 23.46 (\*), Margareta Bd., 3.15; Hayesville, 22.15; Hopewell, 18, Holcomb Bd., 16; Jackson, 17; Lexington, 12.50; Loudonville, 18 (\*), S.C.E., 2; Mansfield, 36.38, S.C.E., 30; Millersburg, 20.88; Nashville, 9; Orange, 5, King's Daugh-

ters, 21; Orrville, 8.90, A. D. Shields Bd., 12; Plymouth, 20.40 (\*); Savannah, 30.93, Lenington Bd., 11.85 (\*); Shreve, 15; Wayne, 30.11 (\*); West Sale, 13.55 (\*); Wooster, 1st, 85.70 (\*), Y.L.S., 102.80 (\*), S.C.E., 18; Westm'r, 195.88, Y.L.S., 62.80, Coan Bd., 1.50, 980.26  
 MISCELLANEOUS.—Bryan, O., Mrs. Thos. Doggett, 5; Cleveland, O., A Friend, 40; Ingleside, Pa., Miss M. E. Middlemiss, 5; Kingston, Pa., In Mem. Mrs. Ellen L. Welles, 25; Phila., T.O., 5; Toronto, Can., Miss Elizabeth Cochran, 50; Interest on Investments, 100.50; Phila., "M.W.O.," 3; Gynnedd, Pa., Bright Jewels Bd., 5.06; Cogan Sta., Pa., Mrs. E. H. Asay, 1; Phila., A Visitor, 5, Mrs. Ann Harper, 25 cts.; Anniston, Ala., Barber Institute, 20; Sale of Ring, 20, 284.81

Total for March, 1897, \$25,205.75  
 Total since May 1, 1896, \$78,869.57

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 April 1, 1897. 1334 Chestnut St., Philadelphia.

### Receipts of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions of the Northwest to March 20, 1897.

ALTON.—Alton, 23.71; Carlinville, 8.35; Carrollton, 18.60; E. St. Louis, 26; Greenfield, 16.98; Greenville, 9.80; Jerseyville, 31.50; Lithfield, 1.70, C.E., 5; Reno, 12.50; Trenton, 20; Virden, 28.50, C.E., 8.65; Walnut Grove, 16.60; Butler, 1.50; Brighton, 4; Collinsville C.E., 5 (less Pyl. Ex., 7), \$231.39  
 BLACK HILLS.—Rapid City, 5, C.E., 12.50, 17.50  
 BLOOMINGTON.—Bement, 27.48; Bloomington, 1st, 8.30; 2d, 87.45, C.E., 45, Chinese S.S., 7.87, Inasmuch Bd., 10; Campaign, 102.15, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. A. Gunn, 12.50, Avery Bd., 25, C.E., 14.50, Jr. C.E., 10; Chenoa, 18.71; Clarence, 3; Clinton, 76.50; Danville, 65; 2d, 5, Juniors, 1; El Paso, 15.50; Fairbury, 7.20; Gibson, Juniors, 2; Gilman, 12, C.E., 6.75; Hoopes-ton, 5.50; Lexington, 31.60, Juniors, 6, C.E., 4; Selma Ch., 21.57; Mansfield, 14.85; Monticello, 18; Normal, 18.61, Cheerful Givers, 7; Onarga, 30.20, C.E., 5; Piper City, 37.37; Neely Bd. Sr., 15.67, Neely Bd. Jr., 15.98; Philo, 10.12, Jr. C.E., 4; Rossville, 3; Tolono, 22.72, C.E., 5, 848.10  
 BUTTE.—Anaconda, 5; Deer Lodge, 2, S.S., 30; Missoula, 5, C.E., 7.50, 49.50  
 CAIRO.—Bridgeport, 84 cts, C.E., 5; Cairo, C.E., 5, Jr. C.E., 3; Carbondale, 2.50; Carmi, 25.45; Centralia, 0.65, Y.L.S., 6.96; Cobden, 12.65; Duquoin, 27, Jr. C.E., 3.33; Flora, 5, Bd., 15; Golconda, 11.86, C.E., 5; Metropolis, 9.04; Mt. Vernon, 1.50, C.E., 2; Murphysboro, C.E., 3; Tamaroa, 13, C.E., 5, 171.76  
 CENTRAL DAKOTA.—Brookings, 10.78; E. Pierre, 5; Flandreau, 8.25; Huron, 39.26, S.S., 25; Madison, 12.05, S.S., 2.50; White, 7.91; Woonsocket, 5, 115.75  
 CHICAGO.—Berwyn, 18.41, Willing Workers, 3; Braidwood, 6; Coal City, 12.50; Chicago, Belden Av. Ch., Y.L.B., 8.39, C.E., 7; Brookline, 2; Campbell Pk. Ch., 22.70, C.E., 5; Ch. of the Covenant, 48.25; 1st, 548.32, S.S. Cl. Eleven, 14.70; 2d, 955.45, C.E., 10; Erie Chapel, 10.40; 3d, 5.45; 4th, 614.92, Christ Chapel Sewing Sch., 9; 5th, 44.42, C.E., 10; 6th, 69.90; 8th, 20; 10th, 20, C.E., 10; 11st St. Ch., 42.27, S.S., 46; Englewood, 1st, 30, C.E., 28.52; Hyde Park, 127.72, S.S., 50, Y.P.S., 35, C.E., 20; Jefferson Pk. Ch., C.E., 24; Normal Pk., 32.21, Jr. C.E., 4.25; Scotch-Westm'r Ch., 5; Wilmington, Mrs. A. J. White, 5; Woodlawn Pk., 30; South Chicago, 13, Jr. C.E., 3; Evanston, 1st, 197, Noyes Circle, 13.25, Jr. C.E., 20; South Ch., 28.48; Joliet, Central Ch., 74.33, S.S., 6.25; 1st, 13, S. S., 8.44; Lake Forest, 76.25, Steady Streams, 60.52; Pullman, 4.82; Manteno, 35.25, C.E., 25; River Forest, 50; Peotone, 62.60, S.S., 3.88; Waukegan, 59.67; Wheeling, 16.17; Pyl. Off., 25; Dr. Marshall's Mite Box, 5.91; By Sale of Watch, 38, 4335.25  
 CORNING.—Corning, C.E., 10; Essex, Jr. C.E., 2.85; Malvern, Jr. C.E., 3; Shenandoah, 1.25, 17.10  
 DAKOTA.—Good Will, 12.00  
 DENVER.—Denver, Central Ch., 123.73; Mrs. Blaine and Mrs. Hobbs, 10; First Av. Ch., Y.L.B., 10; 23d Av. Ch., C.E., 12.50 Silver Cross Bd., 12; Hyde Park, 1; Littleton, 7.79, 176.93  
 DETROIT.—Brighton, 6.90; Clyde, 11; Detroit, Central Ch., 50, S.S., 12.18; Covenant Ch., 18.62; 1st, 323.50, Y.P.S., 24.50; Forest Av. Ch., 42.73, Westm'r League, 35.78; Fort St. Ch., Westm'r League, Opportunity Circle, 42.50, S.S., 156.80; Rhea Bd., 125; Jefferson Av. Ch., 15; Immanuel Ch., 10.20; Memorial Ch., 19.23; Second Av. Ch., 16.98; Trumbull Av. Ch., 15.15; Grand River Av. Mission, 13.73; Westm'r Ch., 32.17; Howell, 54.76; Milan, 4.42; Mt. Clemens, 34.41; Milford, 146.38, Y.L.S., 21.70; Pontiac, 65, C.E., 11.52; S.D. Circle, 6.09, Y.W.S., 2.50; South Lyon, 37.10; Stony Creek, Bd., 24.50; Ypsilanti, 85, C.E., 15, Y.P.M., 15, 1,517.44  
 DULUTH.—Brainard, 3; Duluth, 1st, 30.75; 2d, 3.99; Westm'r, 6.15; Glen Avon, 20; Lakeside, 10.92; Two Harbors, 3.37, 78.18  
 FLINT.—Fenton, 2; Flint, 27.50; Port Huron, 2.30; Marlette, 1st, 2.40, C.E., 5; 2d, 5.50, Jr. C.E., 1; Flint, 18.05; Fenton, C.E., 1.20; Cass City, 3, 67.95  
 FREEPORT.—Elizabeth, 5; Freeport, 1st, 35; Galena, 1st, 13.50, C.E., 11.39, Y.L.C., 8; South Ch., Y.L.S., 9; Ridgefield, Willing Workers, 10; Rockford, 1st, 60; Westm'r Ch., 41.75; Winnebago, 21.77, 214.81  
 GRAND RAPIDS.—Big Rapids, 6; Evart, 7, C.E., 5; Grand Haven, 40; Grand Rapids, 1st, 13, C.E., 4, S.S., 25; Westm'r

Ch., 89, C.E., 10, S.S., 11.14, Y.W.M.S., 6; Immanuel Ch., 2.50, C.E., 1; 3d, Jr. C.E., 1.50; Hesperia, 5.25; Ionia, 14, C.E., 15; Ludington, 2.40, Bd., 3.21, Jr. C.E., 15; Muir, 2; Spring Lake, C.E., 1, 279.00  
 GREAT FALLS.—Great Falls, 1st, 5.50, C.E., 8.05, 13.55  
 GUNNISON.—Delta, 1.50; Salida, 3, C.E., 1.20, 5.70  
 HASTINGS.—Aurora, Volunteer Bd., 2; Edgar, 1.60; Hansen, 1.06; Hastings, 2.28; Holdrege, 4; Nelson, 10, 20.94  
 INDIANAPOLIS.—Indianapolis, 2d, Mr. W. S. Hubbard, 356.34  
 IOWA.—Fairfield, Mrs. J. E. Roth, 20.00  
 KEARNEY.—Central City, 25.40, C.E., 10, Jr. C.E., 10; Grand Island, 6, C.E., 17.05, Jr. C.E., 4; Kearney, 5.64, C.E., 1.57; Lexington, 2.50, Jr. C.E., 3.22; North Platte, 10.60, C.E., 13, Jr. C.E., 7; St. Paul, 1.60; Sutherland, 1; Wood River, 3.57; Berg Church, 50 cts., 122.65  
 LANSING.—Lansing, 1st, C.E., 3.00  
 MADISON.—Baraboo, 15.04; Kilbourn, 6, C.E., 15.40; Madison, Prof. J. W. Decker, 5; Poynette, 18; Reedsburg, 10; Richland Center, 2.80, 72.24  
 MANKATO.—Blue Earth City, 15; Lake Crystal, 5; Mankato, 42.49; Pilot Grove, 12; Pipestone, 2.50, Y.L.S., 1.25; St. Peter, 35.45; Winnebago City, 15.11; Worthington, 5.70, 134.50  
 MILWAUKEE.—Horicon, 4.80; Milwaukee, Calvary Ch., 103, S.S., 50, C.E., 11.50; Immanuel Ch., Willing Workers, 186, Pr. Off., 40, Y.L.S., 75, Pr. Off., 10, Missionary Workers, 50; Perseverance Ch., 1.80, Cross Bearing Circle, 3.68; Westm'r Ch., 4.47, C.E., 5; Racine, S.S., Christmas Off., 5; Somers, 6.25, C.E., 17.90; Waukesha, 8, 582.40  
 MINNEAPOLIS.—Minneapolis, Andrew Ch., Rope Holders, 4; Bethlehem Ch., 35; Buffalo, 5.07; 5th, 10; 1st, 24.75, Y.L.S., 20; In. Cl., 8; Merry Gleaners, 15.70; Franklin Av. Ch., 4; Highland Pk. Ch., C.E., 3; House of Faith Ch., 10; Oliver Ch., 9.25; Stewart Mem'l Ch., 49.12; Westm'r Ch., 234.08, Daughters of the King, 27, Chinese Cl., 25, Pearl Gatherers, 5, Y.W.S., 75; Rockford, 9, 573.06  
 NEBRASKA CITY.—Benedict, Goshen Ch., C.E., 6; Lincoln, 1st, C.E., 10.98; 2d, C.E., 12.50; Staplehurst, C.E., 5; York, Sr. and Intermediate C.E., 25, 59.48  
 OMAHA.—Bellevue, 7.16, C.E., 15, Jr. C.E., 4; Blair, 1.80; Craig, 2.66; Fremont, 21.20; Osceola, 1.20; Omaha, Ambler Place Ch., C.E., 2.50; Bohemian Ch., 84 cts.; Castellar St. Ch., 1.81, Intermediate C.E., 1.50, Jr. C.E., 1.05, S.S. Birth-day Off., 1.37; Clifton Hill Ch., 4.40; 1st German Ch., 5.20; Knox Ch., 28.68, C.E., 12.50, Wayside Gleaners, 27.50, Royal Blues, 5; Lowe Av. Ch., 19, C.E., 7.50; 1st, 34.86, 2d, 18.14, C.E., 5.20, In. Cl. Birthday Off., 33 cts., King's Daughters, 25; Westm'r Ch., 28.47; Schuyler, 5.28; Tekamah, 14.14, C.E., 5, Jr. C.E., 2; Wahoo, 3.50; Waterloo, 3.30, Jr. C.E., 75 cts.; S. Omaha, 3.60, C.E., 5; Lyons, 2.80, 328.86  
 OTTAWA.—Morris, 50; Rochelle, 54.37, 104.37  
 PEORIA.—Astoria, 2.70, C.E., 3.30; Canton, 78.42, S.S., 15.74, Little Owls, 100; Delavan, 18.10, S.S., 17.0, C.E., 12.50; Dunlap, 26.40; Eden, 7.50; Elmira, 72.42, C.E., 6.25; Elmwood, 15; Eureka, 29.50; Farmington, 12, C.E., 4.50, Jr. C.E., 2; Galesburg, 27, Pearl Seekers, 5.83; Green Valley, 14.75, Rural Gleaners, 1.60, C.E., 2; Knoxville, 25, Whatsoever Bd., 35, C.E., 10; Lewistown, 24.88; Oneida, 16.75; Peoria, 1st, 146.85, E. R. Edwards Bd., 9.40, Little Lights, 4.75, C.E., 6.25; 2d, 157.26, C.E., 2; Calvary Ch., 19.25; Grace Ch., 86.95, S.S. Christmas Off., 4.49; Princeville, C.E., 25; Vermont, 5; Yates City, 34.10, C.E., 8.87, Jr. C.E., 1; Washington, 7.43, 1,104.44  
 PUEBLO.—Canon City, 1st, 38.50; Colorado Springs, 1st, 72.41, C.E., 7; 2d, 9, C.E., 5, Jr. C.E., 5; El Moro, 10; Florence, 9.82, Pr. Off., 3.75; La Junta, 1.25; Monte Vista, 5; Pueblo, 1st, 12.50, Pr. Off., 20, C.E., 5; Fountain Ch., 3; Mesa Ch., 20.60, Y.L.S., 15, C.E., 4, Workers' Soc., 20; Westm'r Ch., 2.50; Walsenburg, 4.30, 273.63  
 SAGINAW.—St. Louis, C.E., 15.68; Saginaw, 2, 1st, 350, Pr. Off., 16.28, S.S., 55.62, Penny Gleaners, 50, S.S. Cl., 5, 492.58  
 ST. CLOUD.—Litchfield, 41.27; St. Cloud, 20.15, C.E., 5; Willmar, 12.65, 79.97  
 ST. PAUL.—St. Paul, Dayton Av. Ch., 41.84, Intermediate C.E., 10, Jr. C.E., 5; Westm'r Ch., 1, Jr. C.E., 5; Central Ch., 42.04, Y.W.B., 42.79, C.E., 50, S.S., 50; House of Hope

Ch., 202.80, Adult B. Cl., 40, Willing Helpers, 8; qth, 1.42, C. E., 24, Macalester, Forbes Band, 71 cts.; Golden Rule Bd., 4; Stillwater, 15, Allbright Bd., 11.22; St. Paul Pk., 4.20; East Ch., 3.40; Faribault, 1; Goodrich Av. Ch., 15; Hastings, C.E., 7.20, Students' Club, 3; White Bear, 8; Merriam Pk., Van Cleve Soc., 6.70; Red Wing, 32.50; Rush City, 2.12; Warrendale, The Gleaners, 3.50, 642.04

SCHUYLER.—Brooklyn, 2; Chili, 1; Eldersville, Wythe Ch., 6; Hersman, 19.05; Kirkwood, 38; Monmouth, 96.16; Mt. Sterling, Earnest Workers, 5; Perry, 21, C.E., 2.25; Warsaw, 15, 205.46

SOUTHERN DAKOTA.—Bridgewater, 25, C.E., 9.15, Prairie Gleaners, 3; Canistota, 6.50; Hurley, Harmony Ch., 2.50, C. E., 9, Chase Bd., 10.75; Kimball, Mrs. W. H. Wyant, 1; Parker, 14.39, C.E., 39, S.S., 8.72; Parkston, 2.50; Scotland, C.E., 8; Sioux Falls, 3.06, S.S., 5; Tyndall, C.E., 1.50; Middleton, German Ch., 7; Yankton, Mrs. S. A. Peck, 1, 148.07

SPRINGFIELD.—Springfield, 2d, Busy Bees, 1, 40.00

UTAH.—Brigham, 1; Evanston, 3.60; Manti, 2.75; Logan,

2.70; Ogden, 14.50; Payson, 3; Salt Lake City, 3d, 1; St. George, Rev. and Mrs. G. M. Hardy, 10; Springville, 1.30, C.E., 65 cts.; Smithfield, 85 cts., Mite Savers, 1; Mt. Pleasant, 3.90, 46.25

WINONA.—Albert Lea, Miss Howe's S.S. Cl., 9.08, C.E., 36; Austin, Central Ch., 15; Chatfield, 4, C.E., 16; Claremont, 20, C.E., 10.50; Kasson, 6.67; Leroy, 5.42; Owatonna, 12.85; Rochester, 25; Rushford, C.E., 5; Winona, 15, C.E., 1.25, S. S., 5, 186.77

MISCELLANEOUS.—Philadelphia, St. Paul's Reformed Episcopal Ch., Boys' Brigade, 30; Kearney, Neb., C.E., 4; Canon City, Col., 1st, 5; Willmar, Minn., 5; Chenoa, Ill., 50 cts.; Fairbury, Ill., 33 cts.; Paxton, Ill., 3; Pontiac, Ill., 1.50; Monicelle, Ill., 1, 50.33

Total for month, \$13,798.39

Total receipts since April 20, 1896, \$52,238.58

MRS. C. B. FARWELL, Treas.,

Chicago, March 20, 1897. Room 48, McCormick Block.

### Receipts of the Women's Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church for March, 1897.

BINGHAMTON.—Afton, 2.50; Bainbridge, 13.75; Binghamton, Broad Ave., Bd., 8.75; 1st, 187.50, S.S. Intermediate, 7, Primary S.S., 5; Floral Ave., 3.50; Immanuel, 8.80; North, 25, Y. L.S., 10; West, 30; Cannonville, 2; Conklin, 20; Cortland, 42.47, Y.L.S., 5, Sunbeam Bd., 25; Coventry, 18; Deposit, 11.78; Nichols, 3.25; Nineveh, 11; Owego, 1st, 45; Smithville Flats, 25; Union, 16.33; Waverly, 13.87; Windsor, 18.25, 578.75

BOSTON, MASS.—Boston, 1st, 34.75, Y. L.S., 16, Hershey Bd., 5; East Boston, 8.78, Y.L.S., 5; Roxbury, 18.75; Scotch, 15; South Boston, 5; Brockton, 7.50; Holyoke, S.S., 5.75, Primary S.S., 2.75; Houlton, Me., 5, Jr. C.E., 3.40; Litchfield, N. H., 7; Londonderry, N. H., S.S., 10.63; Lonsdale, R. I., 5; Newburyport, 1st, 17.84, S.S., 28.19; Portland, Me., 5; Providence, R. I., 20; Quincy, 2.60; Somerville, 25; South Ryegate, Vt., 2.75; Woonsocket, R. I., 3.75, 280.84

BROOKLYN.—Brooklyn, Ainslie St., 22.50; Bedford, 1.75; Bethany, 25.67; Central, 20.42, Jr. C.E., 5; City Park Branch, 6.29, Cheerful Givers, 3, Jr. C.E., 1.26, Woman's Meeting, 2.30; Classon Ave, 46.28, Th. Off. ady, 15, Girls' Bd., 10, S. S., 100; Cumberland St., 9.92; Duryea, 20, 58, Golden Rule Bd., 75 cts., S.S., 57; 1st, 70, P. Off., 57.02, Mrs. A. W. Parker, 10, Y.L.S., 70, S.S., 25; Franklin Ave., 8.24; Grace, 14, Bd., 8; Greene Ave., 28.16; Lafayette Ave., 266.20, Cuyler Bd., 50; Mem'l, 140.06, Y.L.S., 15; Mt. Olivet, 18.67; Noble St., 48.33, S.S., 25.94; Prospect Heights, 5.25; Ross St., 2.92, Temple Builders, 20, C.E., 10; 2d, 13.36, Japan Cir., 30, Cheerful Workers, 10; South 3d St., 35.75, Bd., 67.07, Throop Ave., 122.57, Mrs. D. R. James, 5, Y.L. Bd., 35, Girls' Bd., 7.35; Westm'r, 10.66, Y.L. Guild, 3; Stapleton, S. I., 1st, 10.21, Earnest Workers, 2, S.S., 30, C.E., 7.05; West New Brighton, Calvary, 15; Woodhaven, 11, 1,655.61

BUFFALO.—Allegany, 8; Buffalo, Bethany, 31, Lazarus Club, 10, Mary and Martha Bd., 30; Bethlehem Ch., 5, Y.L.S., 5; Calvary, 51.59; Central, 81.30, King's Daughters, 5, S.S., 10; Ch. of the Covenant, 20; East, 24.50, Primary S.S., 7.50; 1st, 414, Volunteers, 3, S.S., 45; Lafayette Ave., 22.45, Heacock Bd., 25; North, 106.37, Y.P.S., 30, M. K. Van Duzee Bd., 35; West Ave., 20; Westm'r, 6.25; Clarence, 5; Dunkirk, 43.28, Jr. C.E., 8; East Aurora, 33; Franklinville, 10, Jr. C.E., 5; Fredonia, 62.41; Jamestown, 35; Lancaster, Jr. C.E., 4; Olean, 37; Portville, 25, Y.L.S., 35; Ripley, Mrs. H. F. Gardner, 5; Sherman, 15.52; Silver Creek, 2.68; Springville, 25, 1,451.85

CAUYA.—Auburn, Calvary, 11.71, Y.L.S., 5; Central, 170.25, King's Daughters, 25; 1st, 15, Y.P.S., 11; 2d, 8.20, C. E., 50; Westm'r, 5; Aurora, 56.57, Wells College, 50; Cato, 1.25; Cayuga, 9.40; Fair Haven, 3; Five Corners, 4.25; Ithaca, 20.55; King's Ferry, 5; Meridian, 5; Port Byron, 15; Scipioville, 10.25; Sennett, 1.75; Union Springs, 20; Weedsport, 55.52; Individuals, 6, 564.70

CHEMUNG.—Big Flats, 12.50; Burdette, 6.50; Dundee, 7.25, C.E., 1.50; Elmira, 1st, 32.40; Lake St., 94.93; North, 10; Hector, 6, C.E., 1.20; Horseheads, 4, Pleiades Bd., 40; Mecklenburg, 13; Monterey, 2.50; Moreland, 1.65; Rock Stream, 10; Spencer, 9; Sugar Hill, 8; Watkins, 40.42, 300.85

EBENEZER, KY.—Ashland, 1st, 35; Covington, 1st, 94, Y. L. S., 15, King's Stars, 10, Sunshine Givers, 27, Jr. C.E., 7.50; Dayton, 1st, May Carrigan Bd., 4; Flemingsburg, 12.61; Frankfort, 1st, 25; Lexington, 2d, 68.75, Lucas Bd., 1.85; Little Light Bearers, 25 cts.; Mt. Sterling, 11.01; Newport, 1st, 21.50; Paris, 1st, 25, P. Off., 13, Golden Rule Bd., 5, Light Bearers, 50 cts.; Sharpshurg, Little Workers, 12.50; Williams-town, 5, 10, 394.57

GENESE.—Attica, 49.20; Batavia, 178.26, S.S. Miss. Bd., 29.80, S.S., 29.82, Jr. C.E., 12; Bergen, 31.50, Busy Bees, 15, C.E., 20; Castle, 19.69; Corfu, 20.35; East Pembroke, 12.50; Elba, 30; Le Roy, 57.50; North Bergen, 37; Oakfield, 3; Perry, 62, S.S., 30, C.E., 10; Pike, 5; Stone Church, 35.50, May Blossom Bd., 15; Waisaw, 119, Y.W.S., 73, Busy Bees, 12; Wyoming, 28.40, 943.48

GENEVA.—Bellona, 6; Canandaigua, 59.14; Geneva, 1st, Y. L.S., 6.70; North, Y.L.S., 54.25; Gorham, 10, Willing Workers, 27; MacDougal's, 5; Naples, 5; Oaks Corners, 16; Ovid, 30, Y.L.S., 20; Penn Yan, 30; Phelps, 35; Romulus, 24.50;

Seneca, 30.70; Seneca Castle, 21.24; Seneca Falls, 39.75; Shortsville, 5; Trumansburg, 26; Waterloo, 20, 471.46

HUDSON.—Amity, 5; Blauvelt, 4; Chester, 25, P. Off., 30; Cochecton, 10; Congers, Mrs. J. S. Gilmore, 10; Florida, Jr. C.E., 3; Goshen, 39.90; Hamptonburgh, 10; Haverstraw, Central, 50, S.S., 25; Hopewell Ch., 7.59; Middletown, 1st, 50; 2d, Soldiers of the King, 5, Jr. C.E., 10; Milford, Pa., 13; Monroe, 10, 18, S.S., 14.82; Monticello, 12; Mt. Hope, 5; Otisville, 5.60; Port Jervis, 19.87, S.S., 40, Jr. C.E., 3; Ramapo, 12.90, Hillburn S.S., 35; Ridgebury, 21; Scortchtown, 21; West Town, 20; White Lake, 7.50, 525.36

LONG ISLAND.—Amagansett, 5.50; Be. lport, 2; Bridgehampton, 13.38, Little Givers, 6; East Hampton, 11.12; Greenport, 26; Manor, 1.50; Mattituck, 3.57; Middle Island, 47.48, Longwood Bd., 10; Moriches, 21; Sag Harbor, 12; Setauket, 4.50; Southampton, 25.65; Southold, 15; Westhampton, 9.60, Mrs. Lawrence, 2.50, Wide Awake Bd., 9.83, 226.04

LOUISVILLE, KY.—Cloverport, 5.75; Kuttawa, 23; Louisville, Alliance, 7; Calvary, 5.35; Central, 60, Children's Bd., 15; College St., 60.36, P. Off., 19.30, Children's Bd., 25; Covenant, 33.50, Jr. C.E., 1; Fourth, 20.50; Warren Mem'l, Y.L. Guild, 15; Owensboro, 35; Pewee Valley, 15; Princeton, 2, Hawthorn Bd., 5; Shelbyville, 25, Children's Bd., 5, 377.76

LYONS.—Clyde, 40.69, S.S. Soc., 6; East Palmyra, 15.50, Gleaner's Bd., 10; Fairville, 6; Junius, 5; Lyons, 5.86; Marion, 4; Newark, 1st, 23.90, Y.P. Guild, 9, Cameron Bd., 55.80; Palmyra, 12.50; Sodus, 14, C.E., 7; Wolcott, 40, 255.25

MORRIS AND ORANGE, N. J.—Morristown, 1st, 200; South St., 156.25, 356.25

NASSAU.—Astoria, 18.67; Babylon, 4.50; Far Rockaway, 20, Bd., 10; Freeport, 24; Glen Cove, 17; Hempstead, 25; Huntington, 1st, 20; 2d, 13.50; Islip, 27.50; Jamaica, 63.16; Northport, 15; Oyster Bay, 10; Roslyn, 12.73; Smithtown, 15, P. Off., 10, Bd., 1.75; Pres'l Soc., freight, 13.75, 321.56

NEW YORK.—New York, Adams Mem'l, 10; Brick, 371, freight, 60 cts., Branch S.S., 245; Calvary, 6; Ch. of the Puritans, Puritan Guild, 75; Fifth Ave., Y.W.S., 365, Seed Sowers, 14.85; Fourteenth St., Jr. C.E., 25; Fourth Ch., 100; Fourth Ave., 20, Y.W.Bd., 66.33; Harlem, 125, Helping Hand Bd., 10; Lenox, 9.72; Madison Ave., 240, Good-will Chapel, Jr. C.E., 4; Madison Sq., 1,200; North, Mrs. Rossiter's Cl., 39, C.E., 10; Olivet, S.S. Miss. Ass'n, 90; Rutgers Riverside, Y.W.S., 250; Scotch, 187; Spring St., 10, Sunshine Bd., 30, Whatsoever Soc. 5; Thirteenth St., 25; University Place, 444, freight, 7.50; Washington Heights, 35; West End Nible Fingers, 3, 4,014.00

NIAGARA.—Albion, 79.75; Barre Centre, 1.34, P. Off., 3; Holley, 12; Lewiston, 2; Lockport, Calvary, 5, Willing Workers, 1; 1st, 25, Little Light Bearers, 25 cts., C.E., 3; 2d, P. Off., 5; Lyndonville, 8; Mapleton, 2; Medina, 20; Middleport, 1.70; Niagara Falls, 1st, 12, Norton Bd., 1; Pierce Ave., 1.65; North Tonawanda, 11.50; Wilson, 5; Wright's Corners, 8, P. Off., 6.50; Youngstown, 4.40, 219.09

NORTH RIVER.—Cold Spring, 11.71, Willing Workers, 8.57; Cornwall, Canterbury, 10; Cornwall-on-Hudson, 12.61; Highland Falls, 4.39; Marlborough, 22.30; Matteawan, 19.76; Newburgh, Calvary, Earnest Workers, 15; New Hamburg, S.S. Bd., 25; Pine Plains, 4.60; Rondout, 24.73; Salisbury Mills, Hope Chapel Bd., 13.82; Salt Point, 7.48; Smithfield, 7, 186.97

OTSEGO.—Buel, 2.25; Cherry Valley, 10; Cooperstown, 15; Delhi, 1st, 21.26; 2d, 28; Gilbertsville, 5.62; Guilford Centre, 9; Hobart, 19.50; Laurens, 1; Margaretville, 6.75; Oneonta 13.75; Otsego, 60 cts.; Richfield Springs, 6.45; Stamford, 23.50; Unadilla, 5, 167.68

ROCHESTER.—Avon, East, 22, C.E., 11.68; Brighton, 25, Gould Bd., 21; Brockport, 33.75, Primary S.S., 3, Jr. C.E., 3.25; Caledonia, Y.P.S., 20, Cheerful Workers, 12.47; Chili, 5; Dansville, 50; Fowlerville, 19; Gates, C.E., 25; Genesee Village, 27.50, Y.W.S., 77.50, Systematic Givers, 25, Jr. C.E., 10; Groveland, Y.L.S., 7; Lima, 7; Livonia, 7; Mendon, 13, Do What You Can Bd., 2; Moscow, 21; Mt. Morris, 29.30, Primary S.S., 1.70; Nunda, 14.25; Ogden, 27.23; Rochester, Brick, 175, In Mem. Alfred Wright, 100, Happy Workers, 10; Calvary, 29.25; Central, 439, Y.W.S., 89.50, Ella Wray Mem'l,

101.50, Bd., 20; Emmanuel, 11.05; 1st, 60; Grace, 4.40; Mem'l, 18.75, King's Messengers, 50.00; Mt. Hor, Bd., 35.25; North, 63; St. Peter's, 75, Emily Chumero Bd., 10.50; 3d, 27.12, Y. W.S., 47; S.S., 50; Westm'r, 48.71, Primary S.S., 11.10; Scotsville, Primary S.S., 4; Sparta, 1st, 31.50; 2d, 9; Victor, 46.50; Webster, 4, 2,092.00

ST. LAWRENCE.—Carthage, 8.90; DeKalb, 5; Dexter, 10; Gouverneur, 26; Hammond, 8.50, Jr. C.E., 5; Morrystown, 29.45, Silver Spray Bd., 6.27; Ogdensburg, Oswegatchie 1st, 150, Y.L.S., 23, S.S., 50; Oswegatchie 2d, 15.83; Ox Bow, 32; Busy Bees, 10; Potsdam, 50; Sackett's Harbor, 5.07; Watertown, 1st, 107, S.S., 22.36, 564.38

STEBUEN.—Addison, 20, Y.L.S., 30; Almond, 5.50; Angelica, 5; Arkport, 10.25, C.E., 1; Atlanta, 5; Bath, 60, S.S., 10, C.E., 10; Campbell, 25, Little Gleaners, 1; Canisteo, 60, C.E., 35; Cochocton, 5; Corning, 60, Y.L.S., 45; Busy Bees, 10; Cuba, 35; Hammondsport, King's Daughters, 10, True Blues, 4; Howard, 8; Painted Post, 20, Opportunity Cir., 10; Prattsburg, 15; Pulteny, 12, Pansy Bd., 2, 513.75

SYRACUSE.—Amboy, 20, Y.P. Cir., 5; Earnest Workers, 6; Baldwinville, 27.04, Y.L.Cir., 15; Camillus, 6.55; Canastota, 18, Y.P.Cir., 15; Cazenovia, 3, Jr. King's Daughters, 5; Chittenango, S.S., 10; East Syracuse, 20; Fayetteville, 22.73, Y.L.Cir., 6; Fulton, 35; Hannibal, 10; Jamesville, 6.80; Marcellus, 10, 30, Thorburn Cir., 26; Onondaga Valley, S.S., 5; Oswego, 1st, 15; Skaneateles, 61.27; Syracuse, East Genesee St. Ch., 5; 1st, 05.89, Hudson Bd., 50, Mary Fobes Bd., 50, S.S., 51.24; 1st Ward, 53; 4th, 219.10, King's Daughters, 5, S.S., 69.90, Primary S.S., 30, C.E., 60; Mem'l, 15; Park, 200, Y.L.S., 15, S.S., 100; Westm'r, 10; Whitelaw, 2, 1,379.82

TRANSLYVANIA, KY.—Danville, 2d, 60, Y.L.S., 18, Little Gleaners, 25, Little Light Bearers, 2.50; Lebanon, 1st, 10, 115.50

UTICA.—Augusta, Mrs. E. H. Hurd, 1; Boonville, S.S., 10; Clayville, Mrs. E. A. Giles, 2; Clinton, 71, S.S., 11.06, Houghton Sem., 2.50; Ilion, 15, Willing Workers, 4.50; Kirkland, 5; Knoxboro, 23; Hallie Bd., 3; Little Falls, 101.76, Y.L.Soc. 25; Lowville, C.E., 55; Martinsburg, Mrs. E. B. Whitaker, 1; New

Hartford, 50, Wide Awake Bd., 40; New York Mills, Y.L.S., 50; Oneida, 10, King's Daughters, 2.50; Oneida Castle, 15.30, S.S., Primary, 2; Rome, 60, Mrs. L. M. Duffey, 25, Mrs. A. Ethridge, 25, S.S., 25; Turin, 5; Utica, Bethany, 145, Miss Gilbert, 372.24; 1st, 115, Mrs. C. C. Goldthwaite, 540, Mrs. E. Kelley, 100, Mrs. H. C. Wetmore, 10, Three Ladies, 15, Y. L. S., 55, Bachman Bd., 4, Do Good Bd., 10, S.S., 25; Mem'l, 36, Two Friends, 15, C.E., 10; Olivet, 16.50, Jr. C.E., 5; Westm'r, 160, Friends, 50, Fisher Soc., 75, Brown Bd., 55; Vernon, 15.35; Vernon Centre, 7; West Camden, S.S., 10; West ernville, 28; Whitesboro, S. S., 7; Utica Branch, 5, 2,616.71

WESTCHESTER.—Bedford, 5; Brewster, Central, 3; Bridgeport, Ct., 54.02, Hope Bd., 5; Carmel, 16; Dobbs Ferry, 15; Hartford, Ct., 7; Katonah, 8; Mahopac Falls, 10.50; Mt. Kisco, 10; Mt. Vernon, 63.98, Try To Help Bd., 9.50; New Haven, Ct., 13.34, New Rochelle, 1st, 41.78, Waller Bd., 25, S.S., 25; 2d, 18.75, King's Messengers, 2.50; Patterson, 10.50; Peekskill, 1st, 100; 1st and 2d, 20.63; Pelham Manor, 25; Rye, 80.86, Missionary Endeavors, 13; Soldiers of the Cross, 20; Scarborough, Shepard Mem'l, 10; Sing Sing, 34.11; South Salem, 38.43; Stamford, Ct., 136.75, King's Daughters, 30, C. E., 40, Jr. C.E., 20; Thompsonville, Ct., 18.50; White Plains, 37; Yonkers, Dayspring, King's Daughters, 4.25; 1st, 95; Immanuel Chapel, 10; Westm'r, 30; Yorktown, 25, 1,141.40

MISCELLANEOUS.—Bethany Reformed Ch. C.E., 10; Brooklyn, N.Y., Mrs. A. I. Bulkeley, 22.50; Chieng Mai, Laos, W.F. M.S., 4.77; Collection at 156 Fifth Ave., 22.04; Florence, Italy, Miss Roberts, 25; Through Miss Cort, 30, 114.31

LEGACY.—Brooklyn, N.Y., Estate of Eloise M. Bushnell, 8,177.75

Total,	\$30,007.69
Total since April 1, 1896,	\$75,177.80
	MRS. HENRIETTA W. HUBBARD, Treas.,
	156 Fifth Ave., N.Y. City.

MRS. HALSEY L. WOOD, Ass't. Treas.,  
349 Lenox Ave., N.Y. City.

Receipts of the Woman's Presbyrian Board of Foreign Missions of the Southwest for the Month ending March 24, 1897.

NEOSHO.—Paola, \$2.50  
OKLAHOMA.—Newkirk, Jr. C.E., 10.00  
OSBORNE.—Calvert, Mrs. E. Bieber, 1; Colby, 2; Fairport, C.E., 5; Hays City, 2.15; Hill City, 50 cts.; Oakley, 3.55; Russell, 2.68, Jr. C.E., 3.50; Wa Keeney, 3.59, Penny Helpers, 2, 25.97  
PLATTE.—Polo, 10.00  
SANTA FE.—Santa Fe, 1st, 14.95  
ST. LOUIS.—Ferguson, 5.60; Ironton, 7.80; St. Louis, Carondelet, 10; Cote Brillante, 5, C.E., 2.15; Forest P. Univ., Y. L.S., 4.71; 1st German, 5, Memorial Tabernacle, C.E., 10; Page Boulevard, 1; 1st Ch., 625.50, Jr. C.E. and Coral Work-

ers, 16.60, Pastor's Boys' Club, 12.50; 2d Ch., Morn. S.S., 300; Webster Groves, 12, 1,933.52  
TRINITY.—Albany, 5; Dallas, 2d, 12.50; Glen Rose, 1.50, C.E., 2.20; Terrell, 2.50, 23.70  
MISCELLANEOUS.—De Soto, Armenians, 4.21; Maple Grove, Mrs. M. A. Wilson, 5; Webster Groves, Med. Fund, 55; Miss Keith, Year Books, 6.05, 70.26

Total for month,	\$1,190.90
Total to date,	\$6,870.56
	MRS. WM. BURG, Treas.,
	St. Louis, Mo., March 24, 1897. 1756 Missouri Ave.

Receipts of the Woman's Occidental Board of Foreign Missions to March 25, 1897.

BENICIA.—Bloomfield, S.S., 1; Calistoga, S.S., 4.75; Healdsburg, 50 cts., C.E., 5; Mendocino, 30; Napa, 11.50; Petaluma, 12, C.E., 5.75, Jr. C.E., 2; San Rafael, 66.40, Jr. C.E., 5; Santa Rosa, 28, Mrs. Stuart, 20, Mary Lyon Soc., 12.75, C.E., 6.60, Jr. C.E., 1; St. Helena, Crown Winners, 5.50, Jr. C.E., 2; Two Rock, C.E., 10; Vallejo, 4.55, C.E., 10.30, Jr. C.E., 2.75, \$247.35

LOS ANGELES.—Alhambra, 12.17, Busy Bees, 57 cts.; Anaheim, 16.20, Jr. C.E., 2.75; Azusa, 44, Ready Helpers, 6.50, S.S., 1, C.E., 2; Ballard, 9; Carpentaria, 5.80, C.E., 3; Colton, 21.85; Coronado, 10.94; El Cajon, 7; El Monte, 3; Elsinore, 15, C.E., 3.23, Jr. C.E., 2.50; Glendale, 5.50, S.S., 5.21; Inglewood, C.E., 1.16; Los Angeles, 2d, 14.25, Busy Bees, 7.21, C.E., 25; 3d, 10.50, C.E., 13.50; Bethany, 7; Band, 8, C.E., 10, Jr. C.E., 5; Bethesda, 8.70; Boyle Heights, 25.75, C.E., 4.50; Central, 64, Golden Rule Club, 11, C.E., 17; Grandview, 15.55, S.S., 3.25, C.E., 13.30; Immanuel, 336.10, Mary T. Minor Bd., 31.15, Mae Bell Bd., 175, Y.L.S., 15.50, Jr. C.E., 37.32, Jr. C.E., 15; Church of the Redeemer, 3.30; Chinese, Morrison Bd., 6.50; Spanish, 1.10, Sp. Sch. Hd., 2.50; Long Beach, 9, Bd., 3.25; Monrovia, 18.69; Montecito, 11; National City, 13.40, C.E., 9; Nordhoff, 6.25, North Ontario, 1st, 5.75; Ontario, Westm'r, 4.45; Orange, 10.80; Palms, 7; Pasadena, East, 132, C.E., 8; Calvary, 7; Pomona, 6.61; Redlands, 57.48, Orange Blossoms, 11.11, C.E., 15; Rivera, 30; Riverside, Arlington, 55.75, S.S., 11.50, C.E., 15.20, Jr. C.E., 10.50, Calvary, 26.02; San Bernardino, 9.50, Light Bearers, 5.15, C.E., 11; San Diego, 49.70, S.S., 15, Jr. C.E., 1; San Pedro, 4.50, Jr. C.E., 5; Santa Ana, 26.31; Santa Barbara, 32.20, Y.L.S., 25, C.E., 35, Benjamin Douglass, 600; Santa Monica, 5.45, S.S., 18.42, C.E., 5; Santa Paula, 7; Tustin, 27.56, S.S., 4.30, C.E., 6.07; Ventura, 3.50; Westm'r, 13.50, 2,469.37

OAKLAND.—Alameda, 1st, 11, B.B., 4.31, C.E., 6.25; Berkeley, 1st, 41, Busy Bees, 8, C.E., 15; Centreville, 4.85, S.S., 1.70, C.E., 10; Concord, 1; Danville, 5.30, Wan Dee Bd., 2.80, C.E., 1.90; Elmhurst, C.E., 24.50; Hayward, 4.25; Newark, C.E., 2.30; North Temescal, C.E., 4.10, Jr. C.E., 5; Oakland, 1st, 468.80, Sublette Circle, K.D., 5, S.S., 50, C.E., 75, Jr. C.E.,

20; Brooklyn, 80, C.E., 20; Centennial, 9, C.E., 6.35; Prospect Hill, C.E., 2.50; Union St., 16; Olivet S.S., 1.50; San Leandro, C.E., 1, Jr. C.E., 2; Walnut Creek, 3, 913.47  
SACRAMENTO.—Chico, 4, S.S., 1, C.E., 4, Jr. C.E., 2; Colusa, 2.75, S.S., 1, C.E., 1; Davisville, 4.20; Dixon, 6.05, S.S., 1, Jr. C.E., 50 cts.; Ione, S.S., 1; Placerville, 4, C.E., 2, Jr. C.E., 3; Red Bluff, 16.50, C.E., 5, Jr. C.E., 15; Roseville, 2; Sacramento, 14th St., 35, C.E., 5, Jr. C.E., 2.50; Westm'r, 15.60, C.E., 12.21, Jr. C.E., 6.42; Vacaville, 4, S.S., 1, Jr. C.E., 2; Carson City, Nev., Jr. C.E., 1; Elko, Nev., Jr. C.E., 1, 161.73  
SAN FRANCISCO.—1st, 80, In His Name Soc., 97.80, Miss Latham's Cl., 5.55, Mrs. Ramsey's Cl., 10, Western Star Bd. of Hope, 18.25, S.S., 52, Infant Cl., 14.06; Calvary, 102.50, C. E., 39.45, Jr. C.E., 5; Franklin St., 7.55; Stepping Stones, 95 cts., C.E., 2.50, S.S., 5; Howard, 46.35, Sunbeams, 5, C.E., 14.75, Jr. C.E., 5; Lebanon, 19; Memorial Ch., 1.50, Love Bd. Jr., 1.75; Mizpah, 2.61; St. John's, 10.85; Trinity, 50, Our Little Corner, 5, S.S., 12, C.E., 5, Jr. C.E., 1.50; Westm'r, 32.80, Mattie Nash Bd., 19.55, S.S., 10; Chinese Home, Tong Oko Bd., 26; Miscellaneous, Pres'h' Col., 25, 734.27  
SAN JOSE.—Boulder Creek, C.E., 12; Cambria, C.E., 2; Ca-yucos, 7; Gilroy, 4; Highland, 2.05; Los Gatos, 18.75, Young W.M. Soc., 12.50; Monterey, 1st, 1; Palo Alto, 15; San Jose, 37.25, C.E., 25, Jr. C.E., 35 cts.; 2d, 29.10, C.E., 4.50, Y. W.M. Soc., 13.55; San Luis Obispo, 7.40; Santa Clara, 11, Whatsoever Bd., 5; Templeton, C.E., 5; Watsonville, 13.15, 225.60

STOCKTON.—Fowler, 2.35; Fresno, 27.25, C.E., 12.50; Madera, 4; Merced, 21.75; Modesto, Jr. C.E., 50 cts.; Oakdale, 5.60; Sanger, 8.50; Stockton, 7, K.D., 5, S.S., 14, C.E., 5; Tracy, 7; Woodbridge, 6.50, Jr. C.E., 1, 127.95

MISCELLANEOUS.—Mrs. Wm. Edward, Youngstown, Ohio, 85 cts.

Total for the month,	\$4,880.59
Total for the year,	\$9,909.44
	MRS. E. G. DENNISTON, Treas.,
	March 25, 1897. 920 Sacramento St., San Francisco, Cal.









